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GOLD POLICY UNALTERED

Roosevelt Reassures Press Interviewers

Washington, June 4.

President Roosevelt, at a press conference to-day, stated that no change in the United States gold policy was contemplated.

When he was questioned regarding rumours concerning the reported intention of the United States, Great Britain and France to make a tri-partite statement of gold policy, President Roosevelt said:

"Not a thing is being planned along that line."

Asked whether any change were contemplated in the United States gold policy, he answered: "Not at all."

He advised his questioners not to worry much about the gold situation.

Denying reports that he planned to abandon his judiciary reforms this session, President Roosevelt declared there was no question but that the Bill would pass. But he indicated that a compromise on the Supreme Court issue might be acceptable to Administration. Senator Robinson, Democratic leader of the Senate majority, had predicted this compromise and President Roosevelt said the prediction was correct.

The American people, continued the President, wanted the court reforms. They complained that the Supreme Court had not decided several important cases, such as the Tennessee Valley Administration issue, in which the Administration was vitally interested.

He pointed out that while the Supreme Court was entitled to a holiday, the President would not term annulment, beginning in October. The Court had therefore acted on its own volition in declaring its session ended.

President Roosevelt revealed he had completed his legislative recommendations to Congress with the measure, yesterday, advocating regional authorities for the preservation of the country's natural wealth and the governing of its distribution.—*Reuter.*

ROOSEVELT NOT WORRIED

Washington, June 4. President Roosevelt, without reservation, said there would be no change in the gold policy. He indicated he was not worried by the London decline.

He said he did not know of any statement being prepared by Britain, France and America on gold policy. Government experts believe it unnecessary to worry over the de-barring in London.—*United Press.*

Protection Against Libel Sheets

Bond Or Cash Deposit Must Be Posted

The Gazette contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend further the Printers and Publishers Ordinance, 1927.

It is explained that Section 13 of the Printers and Publishers Ordinance, 1927 (No. 4 of 1927) required that the printer or publisher of every newspaper should enter into a bond, conditioned for the payment of any fine or penalty imposed on any conviction for libel, and further conditioned for the payment of any damages and costs in any action for libel published in the newspaper.

The 1927 Ordinance was repealed and replaced by the Printers and Publishers Ordinance, 1927 (No. 25 of 1927) which however did not reproduce the provisions of section 13 of the repealed Ordinance or any equivalent thereof with certain amendments (see Hongkong Hansard for 1929 p. 310) that a number of irresponsible newspapers with libellous and blackmailing tendencies appeared, disappearing again upon the sign of any trouble.

Consequently by Ordinance No. 1 of 1930 (since amended by Ordinance No. 3 of 1933) a new section 4A was introduced into the 1927 Ordinance requiring a deposit of \$3,000 unless the Registrar was prepared to accept a bond in lieu thereof.

Since then bonds have usually been accepted but with the daily ebbs and flows of population across the Colony's borders, such bonds are difficult to enforce especially in the cases in which it is most necessary to enforce them.

The object of this Bill is to enable

Spain Taking Almeria Case To The Hague

Proceeding Legally Against Germany

Valencia, June 4.

The Foreign Minister in the Valencia Government, Senor Giral, announced to-day that Spain intends to proceed juridically against Germany for the destruction of Almeria.

The case will possibly be taken before the World Court at The Hague.

German warships bombarded Almeria as a reprisal for the bombing of the battleship Deutschland, it will be recalled, and inflicted serious loss of life and enormous destruction of property.—*Reuter.*

Mrs. Putnam Lands At Portaleza

Should Reach Natal Some Time To-day

Portaleza, June 4.

Mrs. Amelia Earhart Putnam, with three companions, reached this port to-day, the fourth of her leisurely world flight, and continues on to Natal to-morrow.

From Natal, it is expected Mrs. Putnam will make the Atlantic crossing. She left on June 1, flew to Puerto Rico's chief seaport, next day landed on South America's mainland, and to-day flew from Paramaribo.—*Reuter.*

Sailor Dies Of Burns

Buried At Sea From Rescue Ship

Manila, June 5.

Only four of the five men injured aboard the German freighter Oliva when fire broke out following an explosion, have been landed here by the Dutch vessel, Tjikarang. The fifth man died of his burns.

He was buried at sea yesterday a few hours before the Tjikarang reached port. The Dutch steamer picked up the injured men about a day after they were hurt, and immediately set out for Manila yesterday morning. She had the Friderik, which stood by the burning vessel from early on, had no doctor.—*Reuter.*

The Registrar in his discretion to demand a deposit even where a bond has been previously accepted.

BRITISH EMPIRE LEADERS AT LONDON PARLEY



The ex-Prime Minister, now Sir Stanley Baldwin, is pictured above opening the Imperial Conference at St. James's Palace recently. Others in the photograph are: 1, Mr. Ian A. Mackenzie, Canadian Minister of Defence; 2, Mr. Charles A. Dunning, Canadian Minister of Finance; 3, Mr. Ernest Lapointe, French-Canadian member of Canada's Cabinet, Minister of Justice; 4, Mr. T. A. Crerar, Canada's Minister of Natural Resources; 5, Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, Canadian Prime Minister; 6, Sir Maurice Hankey, Secretary of the Committee of Imperial Defence since 1912; 7, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, then Lord President of the Council.

POWERS AWAIT SPAIN'S WORD ON GUARANTEE

BRITISH PLAN FOR SAFETY ZONES FOR NEUTRALS

London, June 4.

Some days are expected to elapse before definite replies are received to the British proposals that both sides in Spain should indicate extended safety zones for Controlling vessels, and that should their immunity be violated the naval staffs of Britain, Germany, France and Italy would consult on appropriate action.

The proposals are only put forward as a basis for discussion and general approval, as the expected agreement can only result from a process of negotiation.

It is understood Germany and Italy are anxious to resume co-operation as soon as possible and the proposals are being closely examined in Rome and Berlin with that end in view.

The only uncertain factor is Russia, where there is some suspicion regarding the second point of the proposals which, it is thought, unduly favours the German thesis.

It is learned that the British proposals for protecting control vessels were discussed between Mr. Anthony Eden and Herr Joachim Von Ribbentrop in London. A further suggestion which is being considered is that the control ships should bear some common distinguishing mark equally visible from the air and sea, thus reducing the risk of incidents such as the bombing of the Deutschland. It is understood that the Admiralty has been asked to suggest some such marks.

British warships which have recently gone into Spanish waters have large red, white and blue markings painted on the gun turrets and on other conspicuous positions.—*Reuter.*

Spain Wants Guarantee

Valencia, June 4.

The Spanish Government has handed the British Charge d'Affaires a note addressed to the Non-Intervention Committee protesting against the German bombardment of Almeria. The note observes that the Spanish Government reserves all its rights concerning the damage done and the injury caused. The Government also claims from the Non-Intervention Fact, guarantees, so that to exercise the indisputable right to accomplish acts of war within the sea ports of Republican territory will not lead to similar incidents.—*Reuter.*

NATIONAL LABOUR PLEDGES SUPPORT

London, June 4.

A resolution passed unanimously by the National Labour Executive Committee to-day stated that the Executive welcomes the maintenance of the National Government, records its appreciation of the services which Mr. Chamberlain has rendered in the past, expresses its complete confidence in him as Prime Minister, and assures him that National Labour will give him the same loyal support as was accorded to his two predecessors in office.—*British Wireless.*

STRIKE IN PACKARD FACTORY

Fisher And Pontiac Plants Also Shut Down

Detroit, June 4.

The Packard Motor Car Company announces that its body division is partially closed owing to a strike of sit-downers, 150 strong.

A Fisher Body plant "slow down" has closed both the Fisher and Pontiac Motors plants at Pontiac, Michigan.

Chrysler Corporation announces the settlement of strikes which forced a brief shut-down in three plants. Meanwhile, from Detroit, retail automobile sales for the first four months of the year were announced as 1,502,003 cars. Truck sales set a new high for April, in spite of strikes. Shipments for April were also a new high.—*United Press.*

WAGES FOR BRITISH CONVICTS

London, June 4.

The payment of wages to prisoners is to be introduced in the three convict prisons of Chelmsford, Parkhurst and Dartmoor, according to an announcement made by Sir Samuel Hoare in the House of Commons to-day.

Sir Samuel explained that the experiment of allowing a prisoner certain privileges on entering prison and withdrawing them in the case of misconduct had proved so successful that men in the three prisons mentioned were given the opportunity of earning wages with which to purchase such luxuries as cigarettes.—*Reuter.*

EMPIRE TALKS OF LEAGUE REFORMS

Sanctions Clause Needs Amending

Strive to Keep League Alive

London, June 4.

The principal delegates to the Imperial Conference, it is understood, to-day reviewed the repercussions attending the League of Nations' apparent failure in respect to the Manchuria and Abyssinia affairs.

The Conference stated that in any reform of the Covenant, considerable attention should be paid to Article 16 relating to Sanctions.

There was general agreement that everything should be done from the Empire's standpoint to keep the League alive, and also to remove obstacles which are preventing certain nations entering or re-joining the League.

No definite decisions were reached regarding League reform, but discussions may continue next week. It is understood the question of mandates was not touched.

The Conference has practically finished its general business and is holding its final sessions on June 15, the final plenary session of the Conference being definitely fixed for that date.

At least two Dominion Prime Ministers are expected to leave for home that week and others will follow shortly afterwards. Other ministers with their delegations are likely to remain in England for some time to continue bi-lateral conversations in regard to trade and other matters.

The various committees are expected to finish their work this week-end, and the first of these reports should come before the Conference on Monday.

The Conference will probably devote the whole of next week to the consideration of committee reports.—*Reuter.*

Dies After Resisting Arrest

Shortly after admission to the Government (Civil) Hospital yesterday, a male prisoner, named Tan Shui, aged 30, of 50 Ship Street, succumbed.

The man had been taken in by a Chinese constable for resisting arrest, and on being taken to the police station charge-room he collapsed. He was rushed to hospital, but soon died.

DUKE AND BRIDE STAYING IN AUSTRIA CASTLE

Vienna, June 4.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor left the Simplon Express to-day at Arnoldstein and motored to the Castle Wasserleoburg, arriving there at 15 minutes after mid-night. They expect to remain there three weeks.—*Reuter.*

ITALIAN FLAG CONSPICUOUS IN BETHLEHEM

ANTI-BRITISH SLOGANS IN CATHOLIC PARADE

Jerusalem, June 4.

Anti-British inscriptions, denouncing "British Imperialism," were born in procession through the streets of the historic town of Bethlehem to-day during the celebration of the Catholic Feast of the Sacred Heart.

The marchers were headed by Catholic dignitaries, whose followers carried Arab and Italian banners.

Circulars distributed in Jerusalem to-day offered Arab students, especially agricultural specialists, complete education in Italy at a cost of \$2 annually, the remaining cost of their up-keep being defrayed by Signor Benito Mussolini, the Italian Dictator.—*Reuter.*

ANTIOCH RIOTING

Antioch, June 4.

As a protest against the League of Nations' decision in regard to future administration, the Sanjaks in Antioch and Alexandretta and the Arabs and Armenians in Syria, as well as the Sanjaks, have declared a general strike.

Troops were called out and restored order to-day when a riot involving Arabs and Turks broke out here. Seven Arabs were wounded, one seriously.

The strained situation prevails.—*Reuter.*

BASEBALL SCORES

New York, June 4.

The results of to-day's baseball were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Boston beat Pittsburgh, 9-1.
St. Louis beat Brooklyn, 14-4.
Chicago and New York split a double-header.
Cincinnati beat Philadelphia, 9-8.
AMERICAN LEAGUE
St. Louis beat Philadelphia, 7-0.
Detroit beat Washington, 10-3.
Cleveland beat New York, 5-3.—*Reuter.*

Volunteers Advisory Committee

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 10 of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, the Governor has amended the Regulations of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force, as follows:

The Commodore shall be assisted by a Committee, termed the H.K.N.V. Advisory Committee, of which he shall be, ex officio, the President. The other members of this Advisory Committee shall consist of the members of the H.K.N.V. Committee and such other persons (not being active officers of the H.N. or the H.K.N.V.) as the Governor may see fit to appoint.

The H.K.N.V. Advisory Committee shall be responsible to the Governor for making and forwarding to him recommendations on all matters relating to recruiting and to general policy of the Force.



Lettice Edwards has some good advice to give on the etiquette of GETTING MARRIED

BRIGHTER BREAKFASTS

By The Home Page Cook

THE Englishman who swears by two rashers of bacon and one egg as an unvarying daily breakfast becomes a changed being when he finds himself at breakfast in a train or an hotel.

He bestirs himself and consumes grapefruit, cereal, smoked haddock or kipper, buttered eggs, bacon with sausages, kidneys and tomatoes, a slice of cold ham, honey or marmalade, coffee and etceteras.

I hate to think that this is because the price is inclusive. I prefer to imagine that he is desperately enjoying in one meal all the breakfasts which he would like to have at home, but never gets.

★ WHY not see that he gets them? The breakfast dish which shines like a good deed throughout the day is the star dish of them all.

Its achievement depends, not upon elaborate cookery, but upon a few nice points of technique which are too often overlooked.

Take the rasher of bacon for a start. Why buy rashers? Once it has been cut in slices bacon deteriorates from day to day.

Buy a piece of bacon (back or streaky, 1½-2lbs.) and cut off the rashers as you want them. In this way you can have rashers of unvarying excellence from one week's end to another. A very little practice, and a sharp knife are the only requisites.

If you get a good-sized piece of bacon, you can use part of it for rashers and then boil the rest and enjoy it cold.

★ AGAIN, think of the dry and exploded sausages which are due to punctures and fast cooking. Pricking a sausage with a fork merely ensures that its juices escape and are wasted.

Long, gentle cooking is what a sausage needs, and if it bursts after that it is an inferior kind of sausage which never ought to have been admitted to the kitchen.

Why bake a smoked haddock when it is so much better poached?

Having trimmed it, lay it skin downwards in a frying pan, barely cover it with milk and water in equal parts, lay an inverted plate on it to keep it submerged, bring it slowly to the boil, and simmer for ten minutes.

The haddock will then be ready to be dotted with butter and sent to the table.



FROM the first moment that you let the general public in on the secret, by announcing your engagement in the paper, there are very definite rules about what is and isn't "done."

And so, since you most probably won't ever have done it before and therefore don't know the rules, here is a list of the main points of etiquette for people who are getting married:—

Invitations

ABOUT three weeks before the date fixed for the wedding, the bride's parents send out the invitations. Formal wedding invitations are always the same; a smallish double sheet or card, engraved with silver (or black is newer) lettering, in the following form: "Mr. and Mrs. John Smith request the pleasure of the company of . . . at the marriage of their daughter Mary Joan with Mr. Thomas Henry Brown, at St. Mary's Church, Blanktown, on Saturday, June 4, 1937, at 2.30 p.m.; and afterwards at the Savoy Hotel, Blanktown. R.S.V.P. (Mr. and Mrs. Smith's private address)."

Presents

PRESENTS should be sent any time during the three weeks prior to the wedding, always addressed to the bride unless they are personal presents to the groom. And she has to write the thank-you letters, though it's permissible for her sister to help.

At the Church

EVERYBODY must have the politeness of Kings and arrive as punctually on time and in order as if they were part of a royal procession.

The bride's friends are shown by the ushers into the pews on the left; the groom's to the right.

As soon as the bride arrives the vergers tell the groom, who stands at the top of the aisle on the right, with the best man on his right and slightly behind. The bride takes her father's right arm and walks up the aisle till she is beside the groom on his left. Her father stands a little way behind her, on her left. The clergyman will tell her when to hand her bouquet to the chief bridesmaid.

Ceremony

★ WHEN the couple come down the chancel steps they each turn, so that she is now on his right, and walk into the vestry followed by the bridesmaids, best man, father (who all waited at the bottom of the chancel steps), and the other parents, ushers, and a select proportion of sisters, cousins, and aunts.

Coming out of the vestry the bride takes the groom's left arm, each bridesmaid pairs off with her corresponding number in ushers, bride's mother with groom's father, groom's mother with bride's father, and they walk down the aisle in that order.

THE couple get straight into their car, arrive at the reception before anyone else, and take up a stand near the door. Each guest files past, shaking hands first with the bride's mother, then bride and groom.

In about an hour and a half's time the bride and bridegroom change into going-away clothes, walk quickly through the guests, who have lined up to say good-bye, get smothered in confetti, kissed by practically everyone, and go off on their honeymoon thinking they look as if they'd been married for years.



★ Our artist has sketched a wedding frock which may serve as inspiration to the summer bride.

The train is cut in one with the skirt and the front buttons, right down to the hem. A garland of flowers finishes the neck, while the shoulders—as you see—are very positive.

A little cap is worn instead of the traditional wreath.

USE A LITTLE WINE IN YOUR COOKING

DISTINCTION in cookery is not achieved by preparing the most expensive things in the most expensive way.

A more enviable reputation is enjoyed by those who take everyday objects of food and transform them into rarities in the kitchen.

An easy, but by no means widespread, way of doing this is to buy a bottle or two of wine and use it in your cooking. Be known for your vinous touch in culinary matters.

Cheap wine will Do

THIS does not mean that we are going to stew steak in vintage port or poach a plaice in Chateau Yquem. Quite inexpensive wines will serve our purpose, and there is no need to use a whole bottle at once. But if you don't want to leave it lying about you can always drink it. The idea that cheap wines are undrinkable is the height of snobbery.

The first, and most obvious, suggestion is the addition of a glass of sherry to the soup. A glass added

to a consommé or a thick soup such as oxtail is the final, magic touch.

Here is a very simple soup which will, nevertheless, cause your friends to remember you with ecstatic gratitude.

Madeira for Soup

BRING to the boil a quart of good stock made from beef bones. Then sprinkle into it a tablespoonful each of fine tapoca and shreds of dried mushroom. Simmer until the tapoca is clear, stirring from time to time. Then stir in a tablespoonful of mushroom ketchup and, lastly, add a glassful of Madeira.

Fillet of even dull fish can be marvellously enlivened if they are laid in a well-buttered fireproof dish, sprinkled with pepper, salt and finely chopped shallot, and cooked (covered closely) in a moderate oven in a little fish stock to which a glass of white wine has been added.

One way with Sole

HERE is a suggestion for fillets of sole. Pour a glass of white wine on a plate, add a squeeze of lemon juice, a shallot cut in rings, pepper, salt and a dash of cayenne. Let the fillets steep in this for half an hour.

Then drain and dry them, dip them in butter and fry to a golden brown. Serve with tomato sauce.

If any cream has gone unmanagably thick, whisk it up with a little white wine and castor sugar, and serve it on top of fruit in glasses.

You will be congratulated on a most delicious sweet.

Home Page Cook



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... sees to all legal arrangements, Banns, Passports, Tickets, and

... generally suffers from a gnawing fear that he's going to miff the whole proceeding by saying "thereto I plot thee my truth" at the critical moment.

CABINET FORMED MINISTRY COMPLETED IN JAPAN

Tokyo, June 4.

The Japanese Finance Minister has been appointed. He is Mr. Okinobu Kaya, who was Vice-Minister of Finance in the Hayashi Cabinet.

Count Otani, member of the House of Peers, and Chief Abbot of the Nichiren Honganji Temple, Kobe, has been named Minister for Overseas Affairs.

Mr. Shinji Yoshino has been appointed Minister of Commerce and Industry, thus completing the Cabinet.

The investiture of the Cabinet will take place at the Palace this morning. —Reuter.

Full Cabinet

Tokyo, June 4.

The Cabinet was completed at 11 a.m. to-day, when Mr. Shinji Yoshino went to Prince Konoye, the Prime Minister, and formally accepted the Commerce portfolio, necessitating postponement of the investiture until 2 p.m.

The Cabinet now consists of five bureaucrats (Hirota, Kaya, Shino and Yasui) four members of the House of Peers (Prince Konoye, Baba, Arima and Tani), two members of the lower House (Nagai and Nakajima) and two Servicemen (Yonai and Sugiyama).

The Cabinet is as follows:
Prime Minister: Prince Konoye.
Foreign Minister: Mr. Koki Hirota.
Minister of Finance: Mr. Okinobu Kaya.
Minister of Justice: Mr. Tokuhiko Shiono.
Minister of Education: Mr. Eiichi Yasui.
Minister of Commerce: Mr. Shinji Yoshino.
Minister for Home Affairs: Mr. Eiichi Enba.
Minister of Agriculture: Mr. Yoriyasu Arima.
Minister for Overseas: Mr. Kocho Otani.
Minister of Communication: Mr. Ryutaro Nagai.
Minister of Railway: Mr. Chikuhel Nakajima.
Minister of Navy: Vice-Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai.
Minister of War: Lieut.-General Gen. Sugiyama. —Reuter.

Investiture Made

Tokyo, June 4.

The investiture of the Cabinet took place at 2.30 p.m., after which the Cabinet met for the first time. Newspapers agree that Prince Konoye, Premier, has succeeded in forming a National Cabinet. —Reuter.

Move Cautiously

Tokyo, June 4.

Prince Konoye, in a statement, said he intended to move studiously and cautiously in solving national problems. He will explain details later.

Mr. Kaya, Finance Minister, in a statement, said the chief problems were apparently expansion of industry to capacity without overdoing it, establishment of better equilibrium of imports and exports and readjustment of relations between supply and demand in the principal commodities. —United Press.

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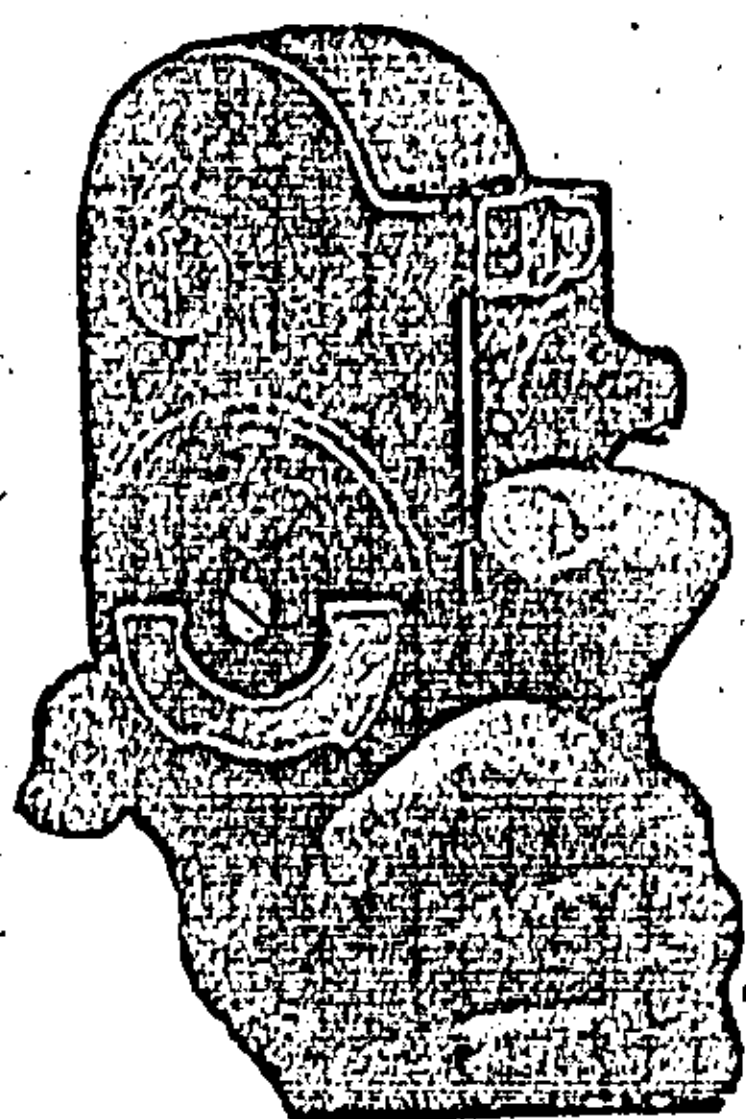
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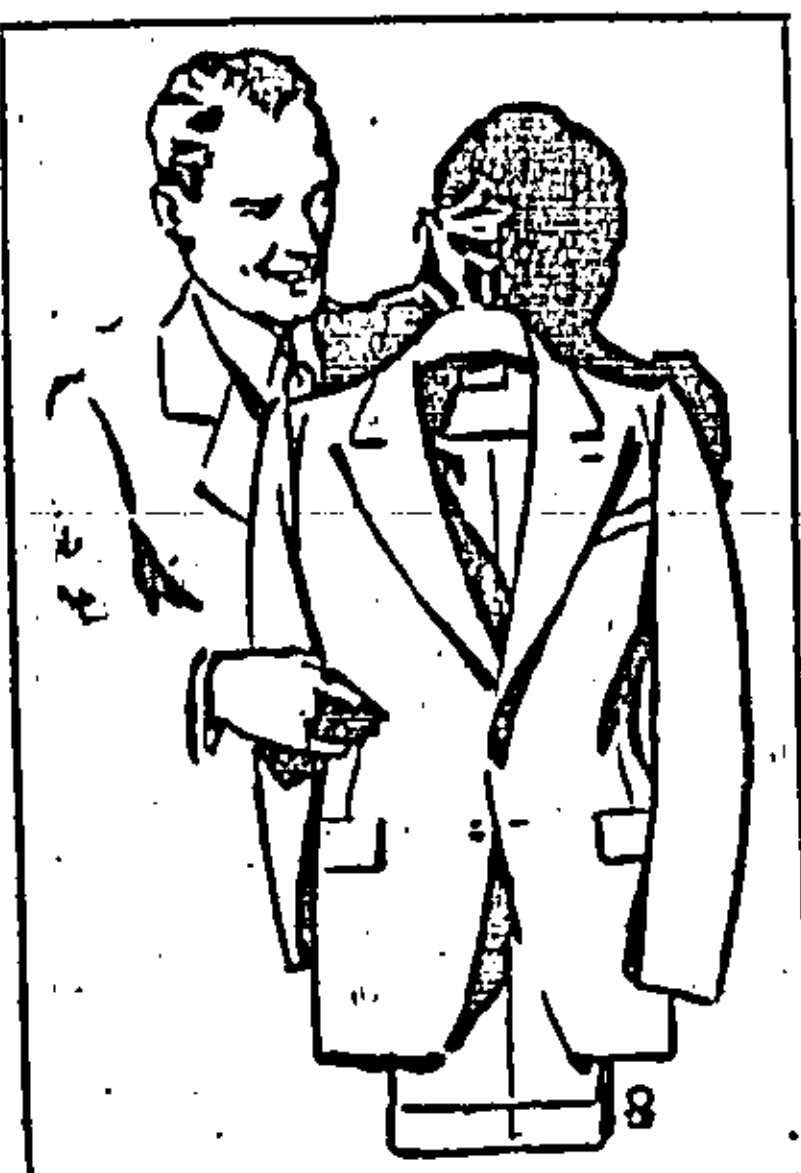
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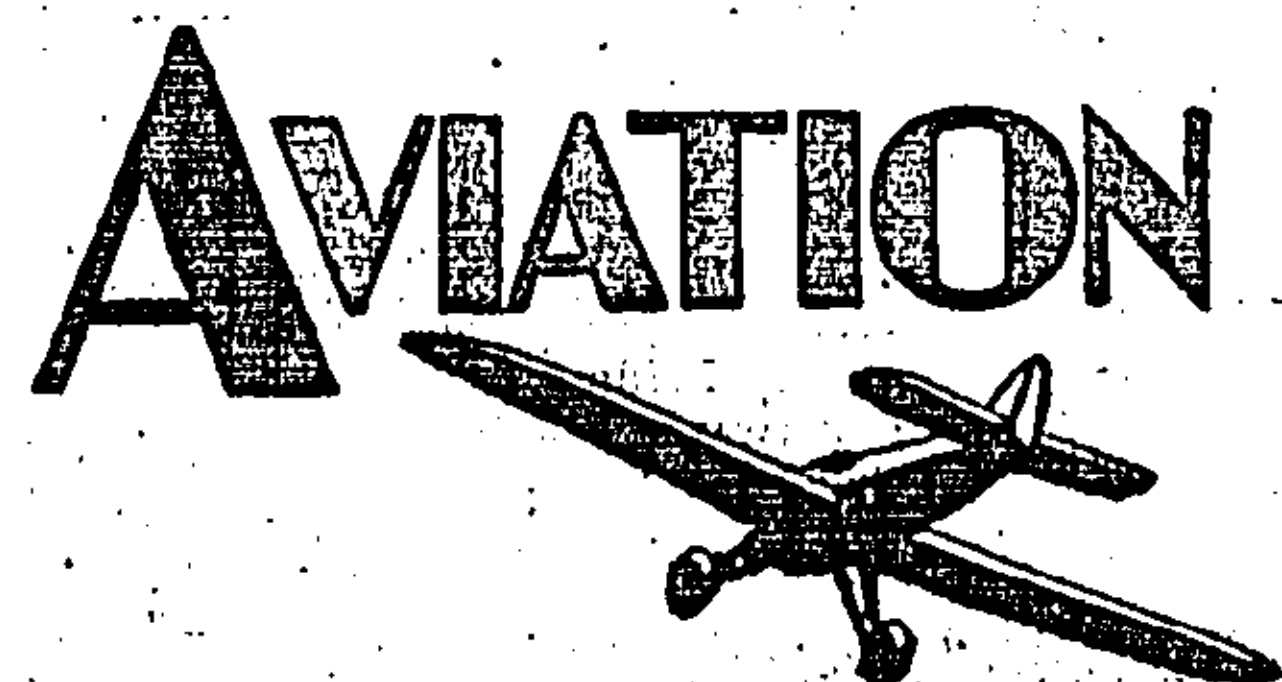


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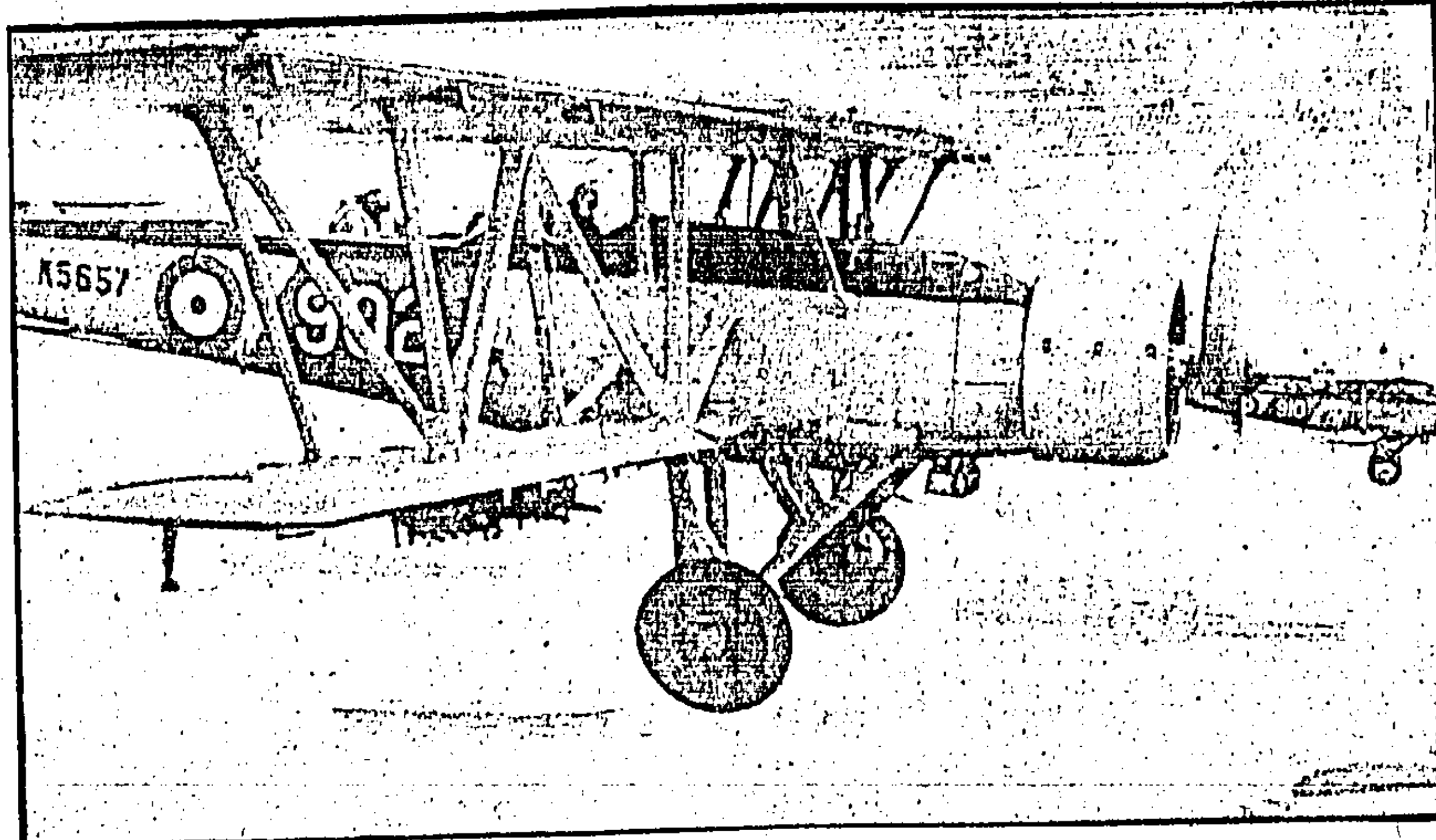
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GRACIE FIELD'S PLANS

Earnings in U.S. Will Help Her Orphanage

Hollywood, May 3.

GRACIE FIELDS has negotiated for the purchase of a
house in Mullholland-drive, high in the Hollywood
hills.

"I'll be returning to the United States in the autumn for a
second picture," Gracie said as she was leaving the film city.

"Most of the money I make in Hollywood will go to the
orphanage I've endowed in England, but, as both the American
and British Governments will collect tax on it, there won't be
very much left."

If Gracie decides to settle down in that new house Holly-
wood will be pleased.

"I'm very fond of Hollywood and
have been trying to settle down for
years," said Gracie when asked if
Hollywood stands a chance of being
her ultimate home, "but wherever
the job takes me I go. I've been
trying to retire for years, but there's
always a new job and I keep on until
the job is done."

One of Gracie's closest friends in
Hollywood has been Charlie
Chaplin.

"He's my favourite actor just
as Greta Garbo is my favourite
actress," she said. "We get
along in the style and under-
stand each other."

Gracie has started Hollywood by
her casual attitude to money.

HAD NO MONEY

"I never bother with money, and
anyhow, I don't know how much I
make," she said.

"I let the lawyers—they're
the people who are supposed to
know about money—handle my
contracts and salary. When I

NOT FIGHTING MAE

She laughed at suggestions that
she had a "salary argument" with
Mae West.

"I've never met Mae West and
don't know or care if she makes
more money than me," she de-
clared.

"When mother saw the head-
line 'Gracie Fields Fights with
Mae West,' she got excited and
said, 'What has Gracie been
fighting about?' It gave the old
lady quite a start."

BOMBPROOF H.Q. FOR CIVIL SERVANTS

DELEGATES at the Civil Ser-
vice Clerical Association
conference at Brighton recently
approved a scheme for a new
£600,000 headquarters in Lon-
don.

The building, facing the Thames,
will be within 10 minutes' walk of
Whitehall.

It will include offices, more than
1,000 flats for civil servants, a club,
theatre, shops, games rooms and swim-
ming pool.

Protection in case of war had been
considered.

It was proposed to provide base-
ment accommodation for all the in-
habitants under a solid concrete
roof. This could be hermetically
sealed.

The conference approved the
National Executive Committee's de-
cision to make a grant of £100 from
the funds of the Association to the
Spanish Workers' Fund for the relief
of distress among women and children.

"I'm going back to England—on
Tuesday to see the Coronation and
make some charity appearances,"
Gracie explained. "I have also to
do a picture for Fox in England
starting in June. The tentative
title is 'The Duchess of Reno.'"

Gracie is hurrying back to fulfil
her self-imposed annual obligation
of singing at the Variety Artists'
Ladies' Guild and Orphanage
Concert.

It will be given next Sunday
at the Phoenix Theatre, London,
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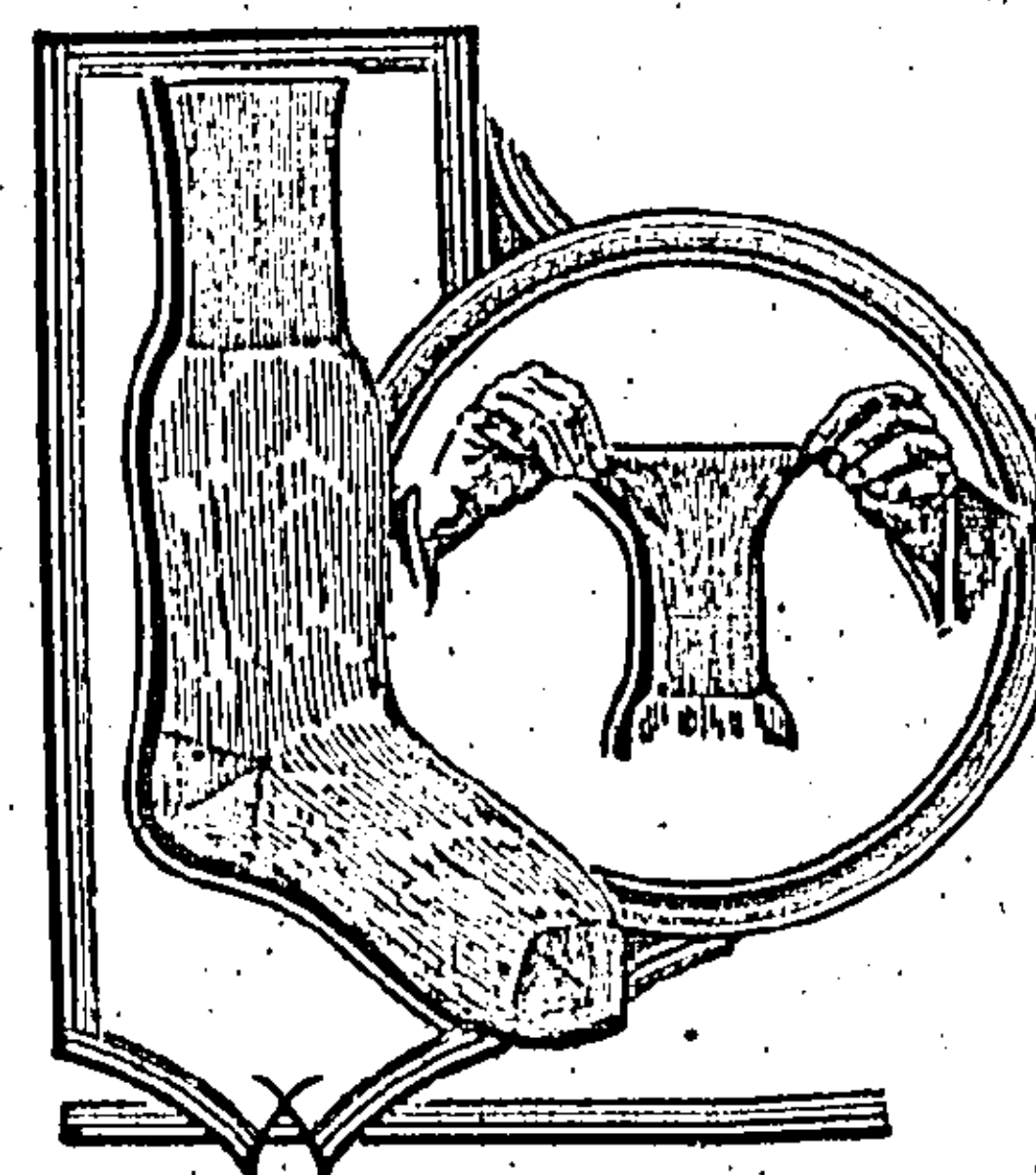
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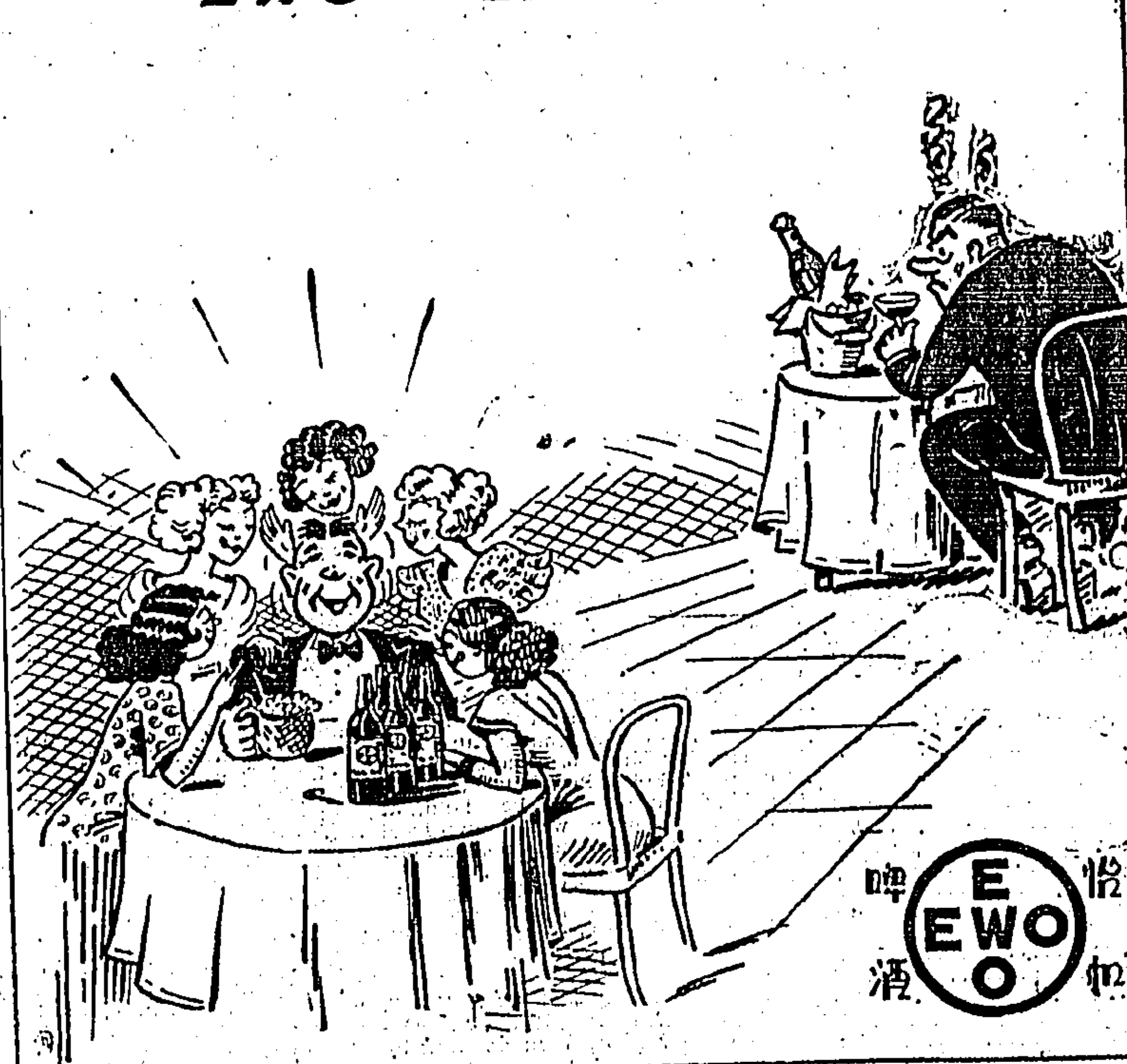
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THE VOLUNTEERS
CORPS ORDERS FOR
COMING WEEK

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps
orders by Lt.-Col. R. C. B. Anderson,
M.C., Commandant, Hongkong
Volunteer Defence Corps.

Friday, June 4.

1. Efficiency Decoration

In accordance with regulation 8 of
the Regulations as to grant for
efficiency, restoration and other matters
concerning the Efficiency Decoration
in regard to the Hongkong Volunteer
Defence Corps, published as Notification
No. 578 in the Gazette of 2nd
August, 1935, His Excellency the
Officer Administering the Government
has been pleased to authorize the
following award:

Efficiency Decoration.—Major Stanley
Jarvis, M.C.

(Government Notification No. 372
of 27th May, 1937).

2. Efficiency Medal

In accordance with regulation 8 of
the Regulations as to grant for
efficiency, restoration and other matters
concerning the Efficiency Medal in regard
to the Hongkong Volunteer
Defence Corps, published as Notification
No. 578 in the Gazette of 2nd
August, 1935, His Excellency the
Officer Administering the Government
has been pleased to authorize the
following award:

Efficiency Medal.—Private Walter
Montgomery Crooks and Lance Corporal
Alfred John Wadmore.

(Government Notification No. 373
of 27.5.37).

3. King's Birthday Parade

(a) Composite Company.
Those detailed by Os. C. Units will
parade at Major's H.Q. at 9.30 a.m.
under Major's S. Jarvis, M.C., M.C.
Dress—Review Order, i.e. Shorts,
Puttees, Hose Tops and Helmets.
Shirt Sleeves will be worn and not
tunics.

(b) Rifles and Bayonets.—Must be
drawn before 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th
June.

4. Holiday

Headquarters Office will be closed
on H.M. The King's Birthday,
Wednesday, 9th June, 1937.

5. Parades

i. Corps 1st Battery.
Until further notice parades will
be held on Friday evenings instead
of on Thursdays.

A & L Sections.
Classes for Layers, D.R.F. and
signalling will commence at H.Q. at
5.30 p.m. on Friday, 11th June.
Those wishing to undergo the courses
of instruction should attend regularly.

N.C.O.s are expected to specialize
in Layering and/or D.R.F.

L Section.
Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on
Friday, 11th June for arms drill.

ii. No. 2 Improved Battery (M
Section).
There will be no parade on Wednesday,
9th June.

iii. Corps Engineers.
Those detailed for the King's
Birthday Parade will parade at 5.30
p.m. at H.Q. for arms drill on Monday,
7th June.

Remainder—Miniature Range.

iv. Corps Signals.
(a) Parade at Corps H.Q. at 5.30
p.m. on Tuesday, 8th June for Arms
and Squad Drill.

(b) All linesmen's belts, pliers
and frogs must be returned to
C.Q.M.S. Millington immediately.

(c) All Box Respirators must be
returned to the Company not later
than Tuesday, 8th June.

(d) All members of the Unit, who
wish to attend a promotion class
must submit their names to the O.C.
on Tuesday, 8th June.

v. Machine Gun Troop.
Parade at Causeway Day Stable at
9 a.m. on Wednesday, 9th June.
Dress—Review Order.

vi. Armoured Car Section.
Section will parade at H.Q. on
Tuesday, 8th June at 5.30 p.m. for
Crew Drill and Driving Instruction.

vii. Motor Machine Gun Platoon.
Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on
Tuesday, 7th June for Machine Gun
Instruction.

The Escort to His Excellency the
Officer Administering the Government
as detailed, will parade at H.Q. at
9 a.m. on Wednesday, 9th June, 1937.

viii. No. 1 (M.G.) Company.
Parade at 5.15 p.m. at Queen's
Pier on Friday, 11th June. Gas
Lecture.

ix. No. 3 (M.G.) Company.
(a) Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.
on Monday, June 7th for foot and
arms drill.

Dress—Mutt with belt and frog,
rifle, bayonet and sling.

It is important that all those detailed
to represent the Company on the
King's Birthday parade should attend.

(b) King's Birthday Parade.
Those detailed to represent the Company
will parade at H.Q. at 9.30 a.m.
on Wednesday, June 9th.

Dress—Khaki shirt, sleeves rolled
up, shorts, black boots, puttees and
hose tops, sun helmet, belt and frog,
rifle and bayonet. Rifles and
bayonets will be drawn from store
on Monday, June 7th.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned have decided to erect a
Cinema Theatre on I. L. No. 611 and
No. 602 (i.e. 125, Wanchai Road),
for Cinema Performances.

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U.S. COMMODITY
PRICESLATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS

New York, June 4.
The following quotations on the
New York commodity exchange are
issued by Reuters.

New York Cotton

July	12.65/00	12.70/71
Oct.	12.65/00	12.67/67
Dec.	12.63/04	12.64/05
Jan.	12.63/03	12.65/06
March	12.67/67	12.69/69
May	12.71/11	12.72/11
Spot	13.19	13.20

New York Rubber

July	19.66/00	19.82/85
Sept.	19.80/82	20.02/02
Dec.	19.84/04	20.10/13
Jan.	19.97/11	20.14/14
March	20.00/05a	20.21/21
May	20.06/06	20.27/27

Sales for the day: 4,700 tons

Chicago Wheat

July	107 1/4/110 1/4	111 1/2/110 1/4
Sept.	107 1/4/109 1/4	110 1/4/109 1/4
Dec.	110 1/4/111 1/2	112 1/4/112 1/4

Thursday's Sales: 38,803,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

July	122 1/4/122 3/4	122 3/4/122 3/4
Sept.	108 1/4/109 1/4	108 1/4/108 1/4
Dec.	78 3/4/78 3/4	78 3/4/78 3/4

Winnipeg Wheat

July	117 1/4/117 1/4	118 1/4/118 1/4
Oct.	111 3/4/111 3/4	112 1/4/112 1/4

REPORT ON Z.B.W.

SUMMARY OF TRANSMISSIONS
DURING MAY

Z.B.W.'s actual hours of transmission
during May totalled 220.25, of
which 106.25 were devoted to European
programmes and 94 to Chinese
programmes as follows:

Morning transmission including
commercial news and Church relays,
European 68, Chinese 24.

Evening transmission, European
129 1/4, Chinese 9 1/4.

Monthly percentages:—European,
47.8; Chinese, 32.30.

During the month the following
items were broadcast:—Dance pro-
grammes 37, European studio con-
certs 18, Chinese studio concerts 21,
European local relays 32, Running
commentaries 1, European Daventry
relays (including news) 57, Chinese
relays, European lectures 5, Chinese
lectures 13, European children's
concerts 5, Chinese children's con-
certs 8.

Now licences issued during May
totalled 197, and there were three
renewals of licences.

In addition to the programmes
broadcast by Z.B.W., forty-five Euro-
pean and Chinese programmes were
broadcast by Z.E.K. on a frequency
of 640 kilocycles:—European, 25 1/2
hrs.; Chinese, 59 hrs.

x. Machine Gun Battalion Signals:
Monday, June 7th.—Sub-section D
parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Revolver
training under Sgt. Thomson.

xi. Corps Infantry:
(a) N.C.O.s and men detailed for
the King's Birthday parade will
parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Mon-
day, 7th June. Belts and side arms
will be worn.

(b) King's Birthday Parade.—
N.C.O.s and men detailed will parade
at H.Q. at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday,
9th June. Dress—Review Order
with shirt sleeves.

xii. Air Arm.
Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on
Thursday, 10th June. Machine Gun
Instruction.

6. Leave
Captain E. G. Stewart, No. 1
(M.G.) Company, is granted 5
months' leave from 1.6.37 to 1.11.37.
Captain J. K. Bousfield, M.C.,
A.S.C. Co., is granted 2 weeks' leave
from 3.6.37 to 17.6.37.

Lieut. A. Urquhart, No. 3 (M.G.)
Company, is granted leave from
1.6.37 to 15.7.37.

No. 220 Pte. H. F. Ewin, A.S.C.
Co., is granted 6 months' leave from
15.5.37 to 14.11.37.

No. 2037 Pte. Edmund Chen, No. 3
(M.G.) Company, is granted 1 year's
leave from 1.6.36 to 1.6.38.

(M.G.) Company, is granted one
month's extension of leave from
1.6.37 to 30.6.37.

No. 2200 Pte. H. O. Bramble, A.
Car Section, 6 months' extension of
leave from 16.6.37 to 15.12.37.

No. 1321 Sgt. T. S. D. Whitley,
M.G. Bn. Signals, is granted one
month's leave from 6.6.37 to 4.7.37.

7. Strength
2794 Private E. M. Watts, No. 1
(M.G.) Company, No. 2 Pl., 1.6.37.
G. S. FRIZZELL, Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

Corps Aquatic Sports

It is notified for information that
the Corps Aquatic Sports will be
held at the V.R.C. on Saturday, 24th
July, 1937.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment,
H.K.V.D. Corps

Meeting.—There will be no meet-
ing on Monday, 7th June. Next
meeting will be on Monday, 14th
June.

Enrolment.—Miss A. R. L. Dow-
biggin—31.5.37; Miss P. Scotcher—
31.5.37; Miss E. Wilk—31.5.37.
(Sd.) K. DUNN, Commandant.

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

AGRICULTURE PLANS

MANY PROBLEMS AHEAD
SAYS MINISTER

London, June 4.
Referring in a speech before the
Council of Agriculture for England
to the Government's £3,500,000
plans for increasing farm produc-
tion, which were laid before the
Commons on May 27 the Minister of
Agriculture (Mr. Morrison) said the
Department was working hard at the
problems of milk and bacon and
other problems and he hoped that
before Parliament rose he would
have some proposals to announce in
regard to the commodities them-
selves.

The proposals made last week
were intended to place a solid
foundation under subsequent com-
modity proposals. They were in-
tended to restore and improve the
fertility of the soil and health and
well-being of the stock relying upon
it. Those two proposals, though
difficult of attainment, were pro-
posedly important for the whole
future of agriculture.

Referring to animal diseases Mr.
Morrison said that £14,000,000 an-
nually was perhaps a conservative
estimate of the loss due to this cause.
If it could be cut down by half, a
boon would be transferred on agri-
culture the extent of which would
be impossible to imagine. Attack on
this problem would be made on a wide front.—British Wire-
less.

THE FLAT DWELLERS

APPEAL TO KOWLOON FOLK
NOT TO FORGET NEIGHBOURS

The following appeal, entitled
"Good Neighbourliness," appears in
the current issue of *The Andrian*,
organ of St. Andrew's Church, Kow-
loon:

Now that the summer is with us
again we would like to make an
appeal for good neighbourliness.

In central Kowloon it is essential
that everyone without exception
should be a good neighbour for there
are few other places on East
where so many people live in flats in
so small an area where there are so
many nationalities, and therefore
where consideration for "the other
man" is more important.

As possible all unnecessary noise should
be eliminated. The wireless and
gramophone should be kept well
under control nor should singers
mistake private flats or houses for
full-sized concert halls. Mahjong
devices would do well to confine
their games at least to the hours
before midnight. There are a hun-
dred ways in which we can all prac-
tise the art of the good neighbour.

We have no desire to be thought
spoilt-sports and kill-joys but we do
maintain that a greater consideration
for one's neighbour would not only
make one's own life more bearable but
would save us from the exhibition of
bad tempers that begins to be in
evidence about this time of the year.

TENDERS ACCEPTED

LATEST GOVERNMENT
LIST

The following tenders have been
accepted by the Government:

Tai Po Road—3rd to 5th Mile im-
provements.—Mr. Man Gang.

Clothing, H. K. V. D. C.—Messrs.
Mohamed D. Bro.

Reconstruction of Roof, No. 407,
The Peak.—Messrs. Yee Lee & Co.

Repairs to S.L. No. 5 Police.—
Messrs. Kwong Cheung Hing Co.,
Ltd.

Hung Hom Wireless Station (Main
building and fencing).—Messrs. Tak
Hing & Co.

WOMAN DROWNED

A woman grass-cutter, named
Ching San, had a sad end yesterday.
Her body was found drowned in a
nine feet pond in Takuling village,
Kowloon City, near the Military
Rifle Ranges, early this morning.

It is believed that the woman was
cutting grass on the bank of the pond
when a section of it collapsed,
causing her to fall into the water.
The body has been removed to the
Kowloon Mortuary.

BUSMEN'S AGREEMENT

London, June 4.

It was announced to-night that the
London Passenger Transport Board
and the Transport and General
Workers' Union have completed dis-
cussions on the new agreement re-
garding working conditions of Central
London busmen, and the terms will
be submitted to both parties for con-
firmation.—British Wireless.

AUDIENCE BY KING

London, June 4.

Mr. James W. Gerard, who was
President Roosevelt's personal re-
presentative at the Coronation, was
received in audience by the King at
Buckingham Palace this morning
and remained with His Majesty for
about half an hour.—British Wireless.

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Kowloon Wharf.
YUNNAN (B. & S.), Talkoo Dock.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
CHONG LEE (Yee Tai Hong) from
Tientsin, 6 a.m. B.I. 3031.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN (C.P.S.) from
Shanghai, 7.30 a.m. Kowloon Wharf.
HANGSANG (J.M.) from Canton, 2.15
a.m. Kowloon Wharf.
HARUNA MARU (N.Y.K.) from
Straits, 10 p.m. A.I. 30291.
HWEI CHONG (D.K.K.) from Dalen,
7 a.m. B.I. 3031.
KIUNGCHOW (B. & S.) from Canton,
3 a.m. B.I. 30331.

SAILED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
ANSHING (C.M.S.N.) for Canton, 7
a.m. West Point Wharf, 28180.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN (C.P.S.) from
Canton, 10 p.m. Kowloon Wharf, 2072.
KIUNGCHOW (B. & S.) for Hainan,
3 p.m. B.I. 30331.
MAUSANG (J.M.) for Sandakan, noon.
H. 22. 3031.
MICHAEL JENSEN (Chin Sing Hong)
for Hainan, 11 a.m. C.I.
NOIRVIKEN (J.M.) from Canton, 2
a.m. West Point Wharf, 28180.
TANDA (B. & S.) for Manila, 10.30 a.m.
Kowloon Wharf, 2721.
THRESE MOILER (A. E. Gerondal)
for Saigon, daylight, Kowloon Wharf,
YCHOW (B. & S.) for Swatow, 4
p.m. B.I. 30331.

ARRIVING TO-DAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
NOIRVIKEN (J.M.) from Canton, 4.30
a.m. B.I. 30331.
PRESIDENT GARFIELD (Dollar)
from America, noon, Kowloon Wharf,
2721.
PRESIDENT JACKSON (Dollar) from
Manila, 7 a.m. Kowloon Wharf, 2817.

SAILING TO-DAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
PRESIDENT JACKSON (Dollar) for
Japan, 10 p.m. Kowloon Wharf, 2817.
ARRIVING TO-MORROW
(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
AGAMENNON (B. & S.) from Mani-
la, noon, Helt's Wharf, 30331.
ATLANTIC GULF (Bailey) from Swatow, day-
West Point, 30331.
HUIPEI (B. & S.) from Swatow, a.m.,
Helt's Wharf, 30331.
JEFROPE (C.P.S.) from Japan,
5 p.m. Kowloon Wharf, 27721.
MONTEVIDEO MARU (O.S.K.) from
Japan, 6 a.m. Kowloon Wharf, 3001.
YATSHING (J.M.) from Tientsin
a.m. B.I. 30331.
VICTORIA (L.T.) from Shanghai,
10.30 a.m. Kowloon Wharf, 32982.

SAILING TO-MORROW

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)
HANGSANG (J.M.) for Tientsin,
noon, Kowloon Wharf, 30331.
HONGKONG MARU (O.S.K.) for
Swatow, noon, Co's Wharf, 28061.
MONTEVIDEO MARU (O.S.K.) for
Colombo, p.m. Kowloon Wharf, 28061.
NOIRVIKEN (J.M.) for Shanghai,
noon, B.I. 30331.
PRESIDENT GARFIELD (Dollar) for
Europe, midnight, Kowloon Wharf,
2817.
VICTORIA (L.T.) for Europe,
8 p.m. Kowloon Wharf, 32982.

REBUILDING PLAN
FOR THE U.S.MERCHANT MARINE TO
CAPTURE WORLD TRADE

Sulzberger, June 3.

It is learned from Maritime Com-
missioner Kennedy that within a
fortnight the Commission will an-
nounce plans for a powerful new
American merchant marine. The
plans will encompass new construc-
tions for commercial and naval pur-
poses.

Kennedy conferred with President
Roosevelt, and it is understood that

he discussed with the President means
for financing a programme designed
to recapture the billions of dollars
worth of foreign trade lost during
the depression. It is doubtful, how-
ever, whether the request for an
immediate appropriation with a view
to a general economic drive will be
allowed.

The Commission has announced
that the ocean-going tonnage of
Britain totals 2,120 ships totalling
13,200,000 tons, of Japan 602 ships
totalling 3,025,000 tons, of the United
States 442 ships totalling 2,700,000
tons, of Germany 403 ships totalling
2,747,000 tons, of Italy 370 ships
totalling 2,201,000 tons and of France
374 ships totalling 2,184,000 tons.—
United Press.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

ALL-CONQUERING HEAT, OH, INTER-
MITTENT THUNDER.
AND ON MY THROBING TEMPLES
POTENT THUS
BEAM NOT SO

CHURCH NOTICES

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. D. B. Childs To
Preach To-morrow
LIST OF SERVICES

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong (opposite the Royal Naval Hospital).

Sunday Services, June 6, Second Sunday after Trinity

Morning Service at 10.15 at the English Methodist Church. Preacher: Rev. D. B. Childs. Hymn No. 39 (Nortcum), Hymn No. 399 (Morn), 1st Lesson: Judges 5, 1-27, Hymn No. 664 (St. Oswald), 2nd Lesson: Mark 2, 18-26, Hymn No. 571 (Newington 569), Hymn No. 570 (Grosvenor). Evening Service at 7.15 at the English Methodist Church. Preacher: Mr. S. Boulton. Hymn No. 1 (Lydia), Hymn No. 375 (Arizona), Lesson: Acts 9, 1-15, Hymn No. 708 (St. Giles), Hymn No. 247 (Gospel).

Notices For the Week

- Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at 9 p.m. Refreshments are provided; all Service Men are warmly welcomed.
- The Badminton Club meets on Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m. Further particulars from Mr. W. Sprague or from the Secretary, "S. & S. Home."
- The Camera Club will meet on Thursday night as usual, from 8.30 onwards. A Dark-room is provided for developing, printing, enlarging etc. Further particulars may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Club Mr. E. W. L. Fielding.
- The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the close of the morning service.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong
SUBJECT AND TEXT

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, June 6, will be: "God the Only Cause and Creator."

The Golden Text will be: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." (Genesis 1:1). Among others the following citations from the Bible will be read: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear,

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TO-MORROW'S SERVICES

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at Union Church, Kennedy Road:

Morning Service, 10.30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.

Preachers: Morning Service, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow; Evening Service, Rev. F. Short.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the close of the Morning Service.

The Social Hour will be held in the Church Hall after Evening Service.

The S.A.C.A. meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. There will be a meeting of the Ladies' Committee in the Church Hall on Monday, June 7 at 10.30 a.m.

The Helena May Christian Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m.

Kowloon Union Church are holding an "Arctic Frolic" in the grounds of the Diocesan Girls' school, on Thursday, June 17 at 8.30 p.m. Admission: 50 cents. There will be music, side-shows, dances, etc.

then shall ye also appear with him in glory." (Col. 3: 1-4).

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Man in the likeness of God as revealed in Science cannot help being immortal. Though the grass seemeth to wither and the flower to fade, they reappear. Erase the figures which express number, silence the tones of music, give to the worms the body called man, and yet the producing, governing, divine Principle lives on—in the case of man as truly as in the case of numbers and of music—despite the so-called laws of matter, which define man as mortal. In Science, man's immortality depends upon that of God, good, and follows as a necessary consequence of the immortality of good. Spiritually to understand that there is but one creator, God, unfolds all creation, confirms the Scriptures, brings the sweet assurance of no parting, no pain, and of man's deathless and perfect and eternal." (Pages 61 and 69).

Announcement

First Church of Christ Scientist, Hongkong a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass., Macdonnell Road, close to Tram Station, Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting Wednesday 6 p.m. A reading room is located at Bank of East Asia Building 10 Des Voeux Central and is open daily 10.30 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturdays 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. Evenings except Wednesdays and Saturdays 5-7 p.m. All authorised Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, June 4.

S. C. & F. Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's markets: There was a late rally on the developing of activities on the strength of President Roosevelt's statement that there would be no change in the gold policy. Steels led the recovery, erasing recent losses. Gains of more than two points were registered and a few specials made even wider gains. Rails gained on car-loadings reaching a new high. Utilities rallied. Farm equipments were higher, led by International Harvester. Sears and Montgomery were both higher. Mercantiles were generally higher on the improvement in the wholesale and retail trades. Coppers more than recovered from their recent set-back. Chrysler jumped two points, despite new strikes. Bondholders' enquiry with Government issues higher, but irregular. Curb stocks were irregularly higher, led by Industrials.

S. C. & F. Wall Street Journal

comment:—Brokers anticipate that any new recessed volume of business in the near future would be accompanied by higher prices.

Charlottesville say that bullish formations are shown for some farm equipments, including Deere, International Harvester and Case. Brokers report foreign buying of selected securities, including rails and coppers.

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: The market developed a considerably better tone and appeared to be responding partly to demand by traders, who have considered stocks to be over-sold and partly to remarks by President Roosevelt, who answered a newspaperman's enquiry about gold, with a statement that he would not worry very much about the gold situation while the independent steel and labour situation remains tense and there are indications of some seasonal let-up in business. It is becoming increasingly apparent that many companies will report very satisfactory earnings in the second quarter, on which basis a great many stocks are attractively priced, especially those enumerated in yesterday's cable. Another factor aiding market sentiment is report that the President may now be willing to accept a compromise on his Supreme Court proposal. Bank clearings for the week were off by 4.8 per cent. Stocks valued at \$57,323,000,000 were shown on the Big Board of the New York Stock Exchange as of June 1.

Cotton: There was some early settlement on foreign advices of heavy gold offerings, which was followed by steadiness on the reassuring remarks attributed to the President. The market is technically sound and offerings were small despite the bullish features. Forwardings to mills for the week amounted to 200,000 bales.

Wheat: The market was nervous and erratic and has probably been oversold. Prices were steadier on rains in the South-West where harvesting is in progress.

Corn: Heavy Argentine shipments and the excellent crop start were features of the market to-day. The cash position is steadier. Rubber: The factories bought at the early low levels, but later withdrew at price upturns. Dealers bought and scattered support appeared on the Washington gold news and expectations.

OLD SHIPYARD SOLD

KWONG FOOK CHEONG SEES CHANGE AFTER 40 YEARS.

One of the oldest shipbuilding concerns in Hongkong, the Kwong Fook Cheung Shipyard at Cheung Sha Wan, was yesterday auctioned after having gone bankrupt and passed into the hands of the Official Receiver. It was purchased by Mr. Ng King, well-known metals dealer, in competition with two other bidders, for the sum of \$51,200. Bidding started at \$30,000. Mr. L. Lammert was the auctioneer.

An interesting story of expansion is told in connection with the shipyard. Forty years ago, the yard was started with very small capital by four partners, whose activities at first were confined to the building of sampans, but gradually extended to the building of sea-going vessels. The partners are said to have first made their mark during the Spanish-American War, when they were able to supply much of the demand from here of transport tonnage for the Philippines.

Well-Known Ships Built

The company were the builders of the Kwong Fook Cheung, Yuet On, and Kong So, well-known river steamers, and of the equally well-known Macao steamer Chuen Chow; whilst their latest vessel, the Lee Hong, a motorship completed only two years ago, is on the Canton run, but makes week-end excursions to Macao. It is said that the shipyard became insolvent through the prices of materials unexpectedly rising, and is reported to have suffered a loss of between \$50,000 to \$60,000 alone on the construction of the Lee Hong.

Though proprietorship was divided at the beginning, in later years the yard came under the control of one man, Mr. Chu Cheung-hin, who, until he became absolute owner, was manager of the concern. Mr. Ng King is understood to have made no fixed plans yet with regard to the continuance or otherwise of the shipyard as such. The purchase price includes the whole of the business and goodwill of the yard, together with all machinery comprising drilling, peeling, planing and turning machines, steam and crude oil engines, air-compressors, motors, iron plates, corrugated iron sheets, scrap iron, and such other equipment as has gone into the establishment of an important shipbuilding concern.

of a sharp decrease in English stocks. Cram's estimate of automobile production for the week was 103,319 units, compared with 131,421 units for last week and 101,752 units for the corresponding week of last year.

Sugar: The market closed steady, after absorbing scattered liquidation, probably due to nervousness over the rumour of the change in the gold price. It is rumoured here that several large houses are putting out very bullish information.

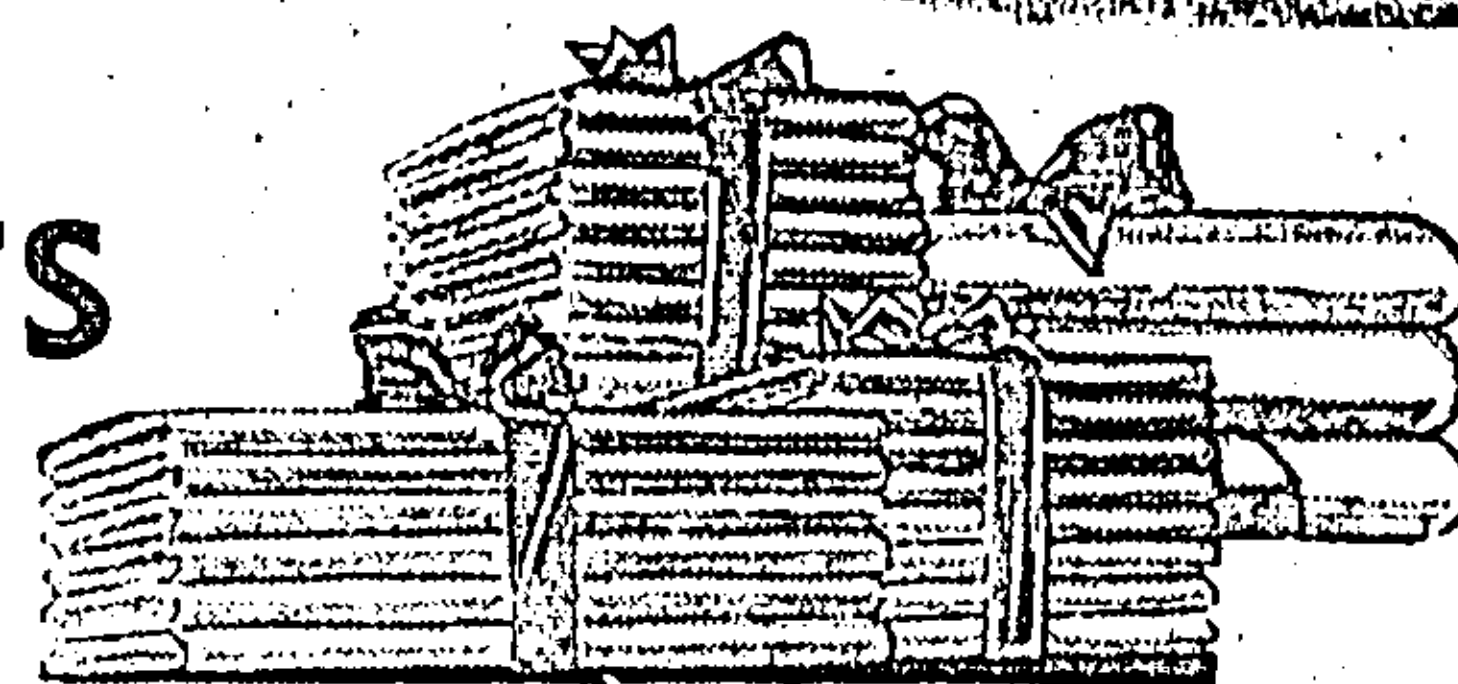
REUTER QUOTATIONS

Daw-Jones Averages:	June 3.	June 4.
30 Industrials	172.82	175.14
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20 Utilities	27.69	27.65
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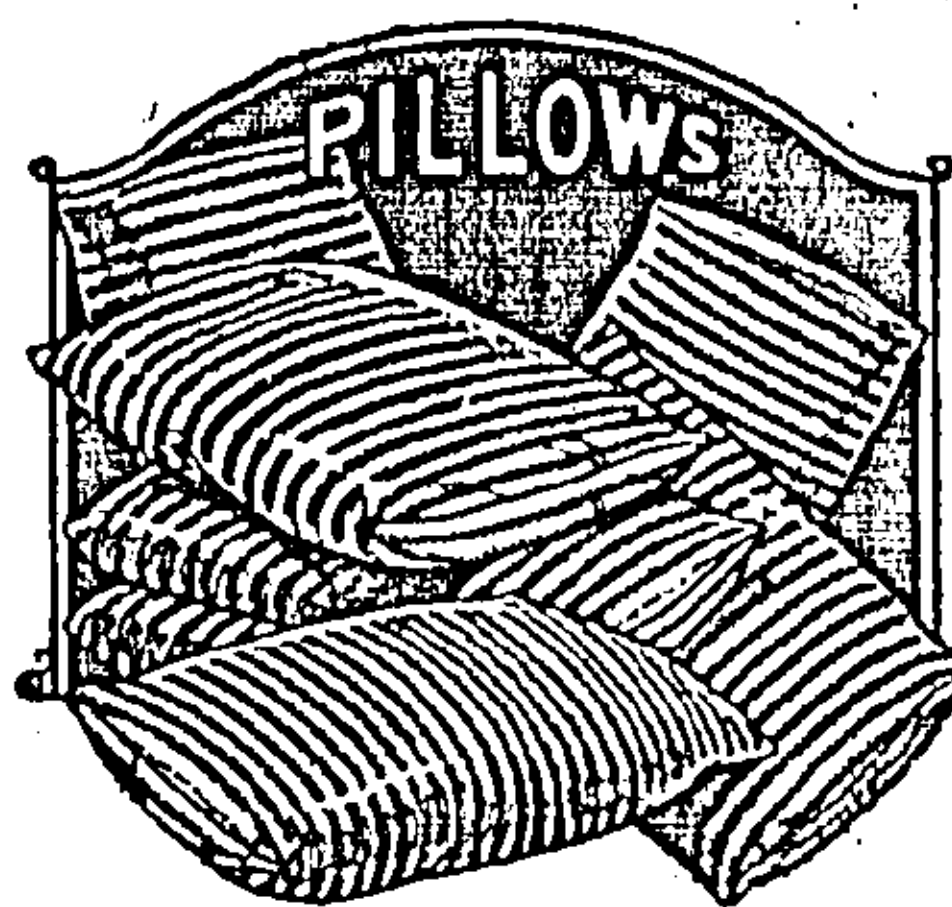
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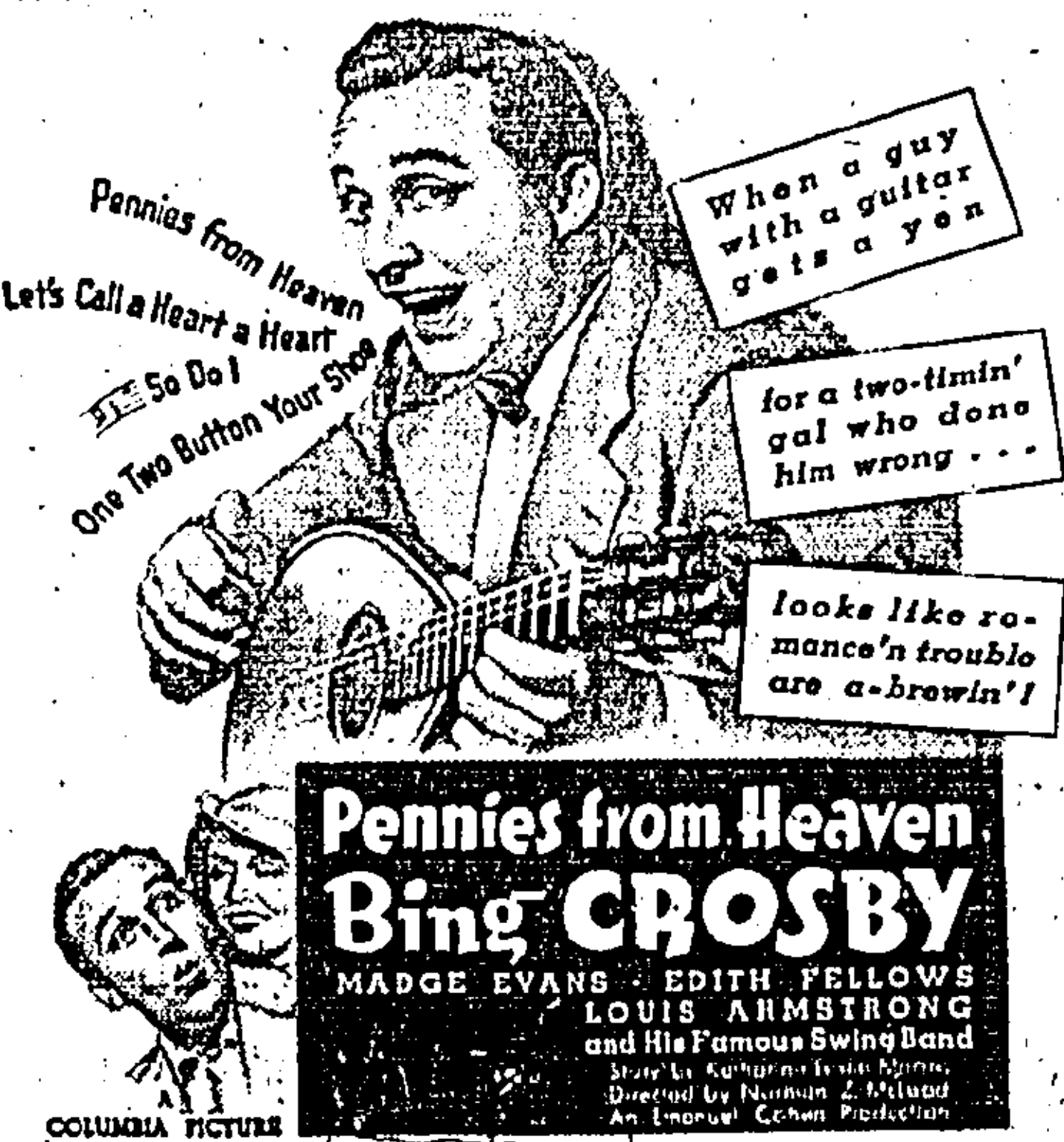
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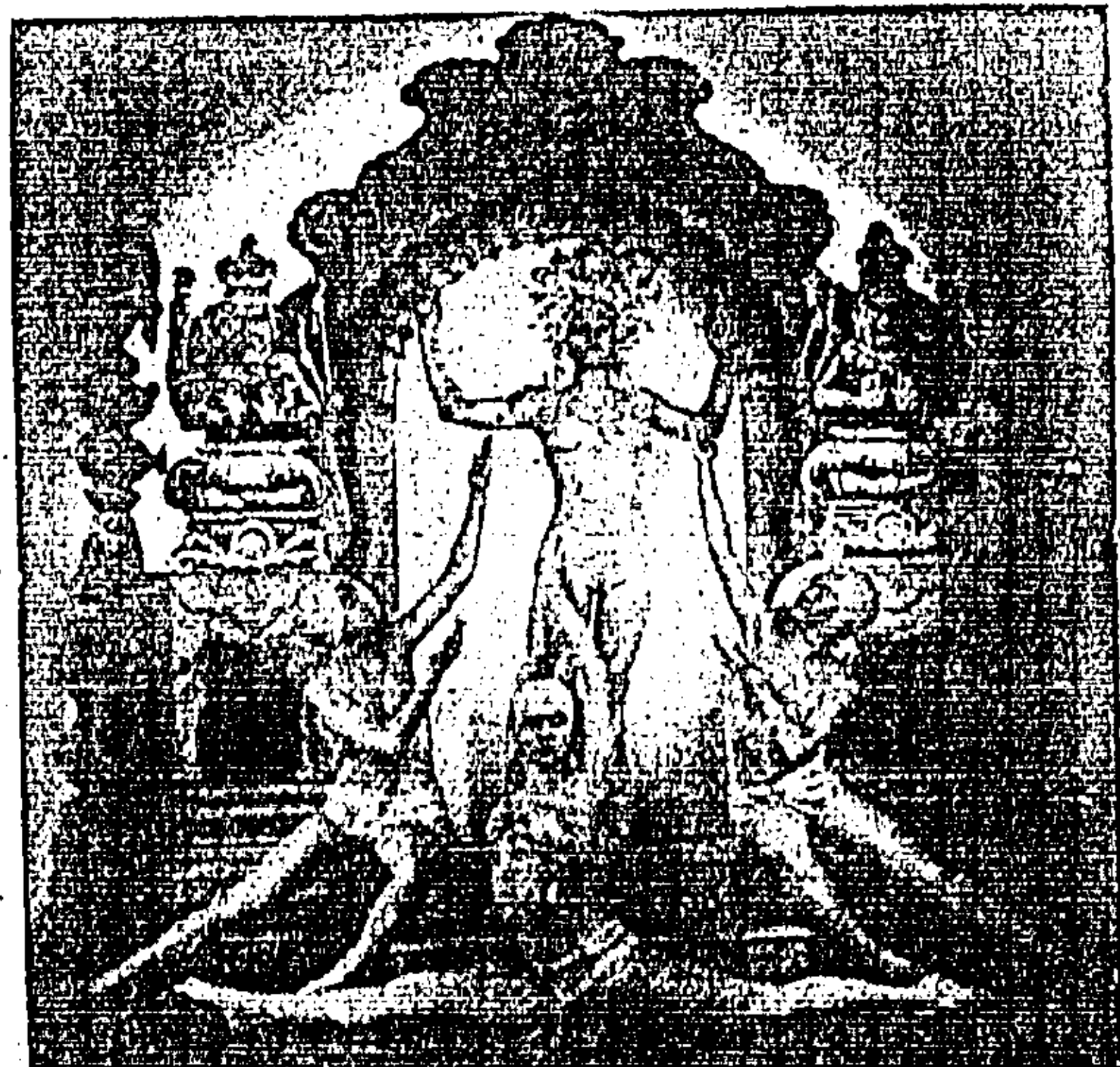
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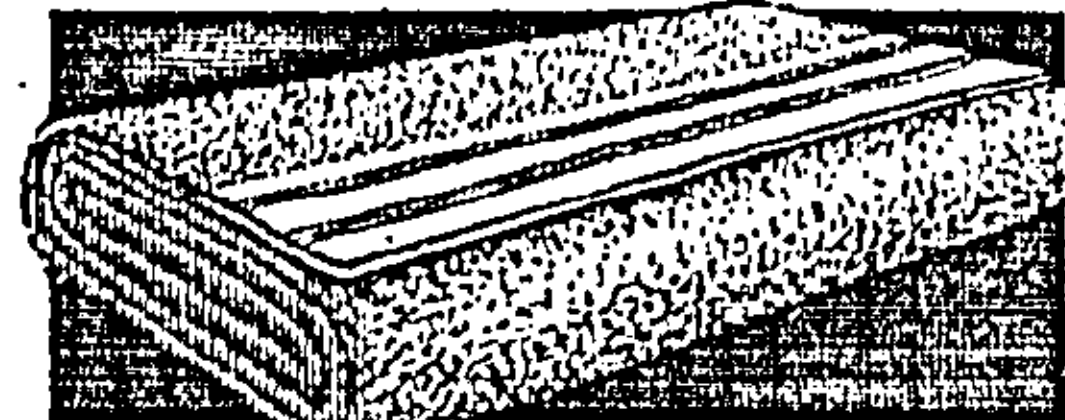
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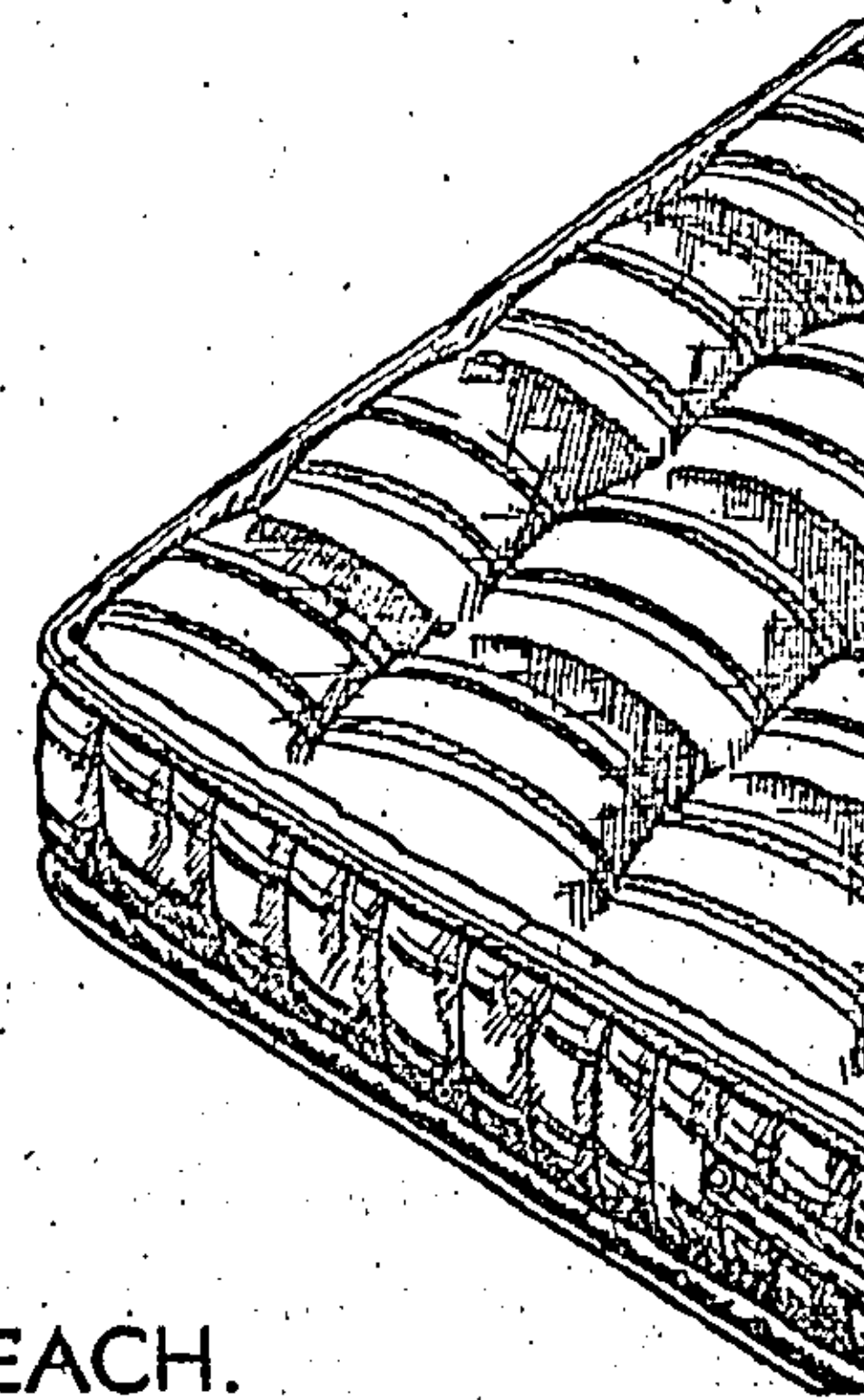
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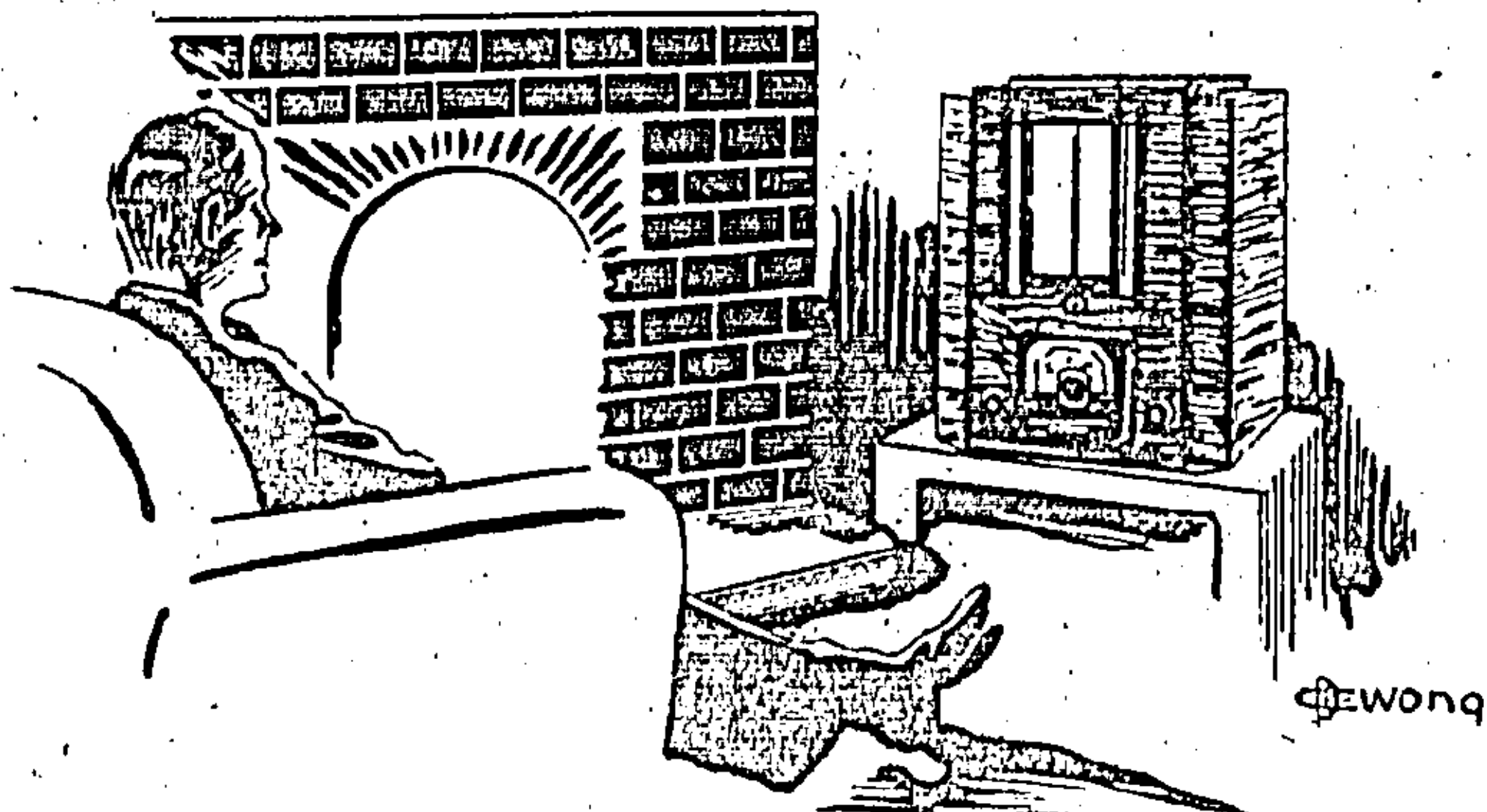


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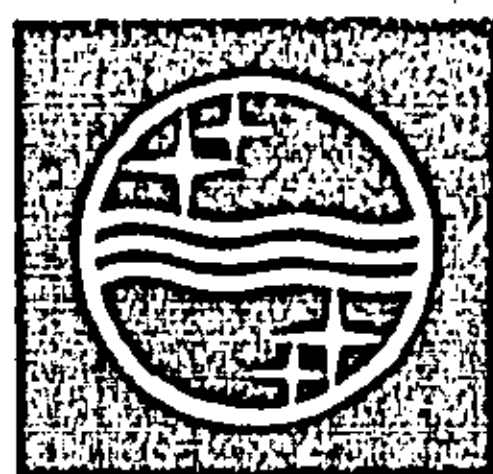
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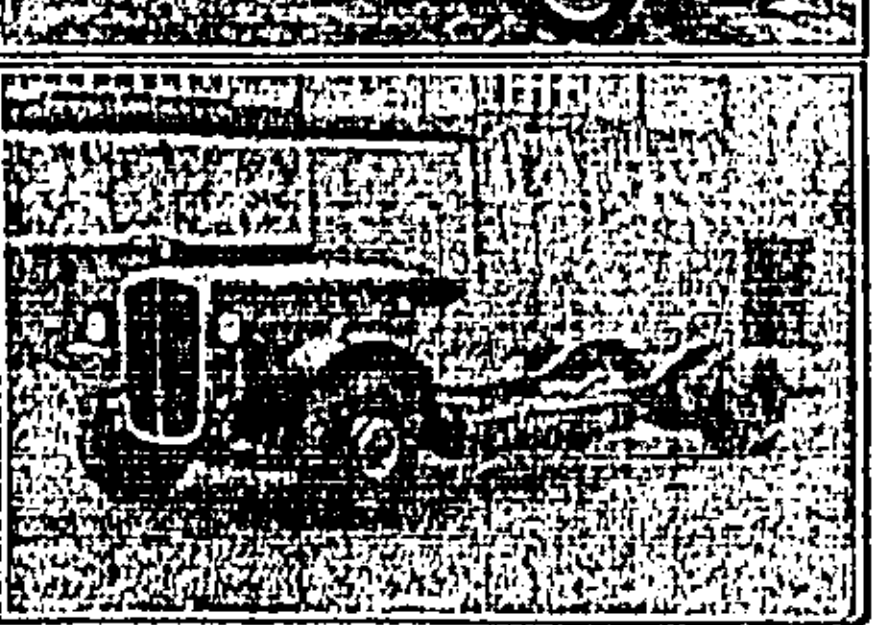
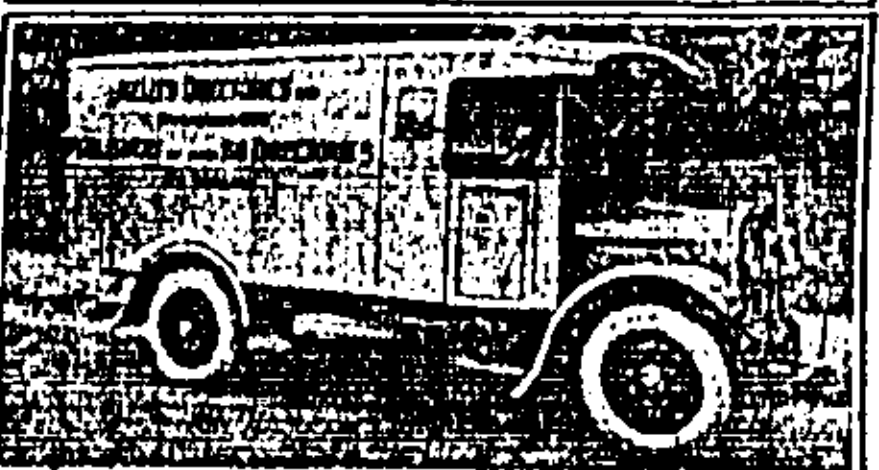
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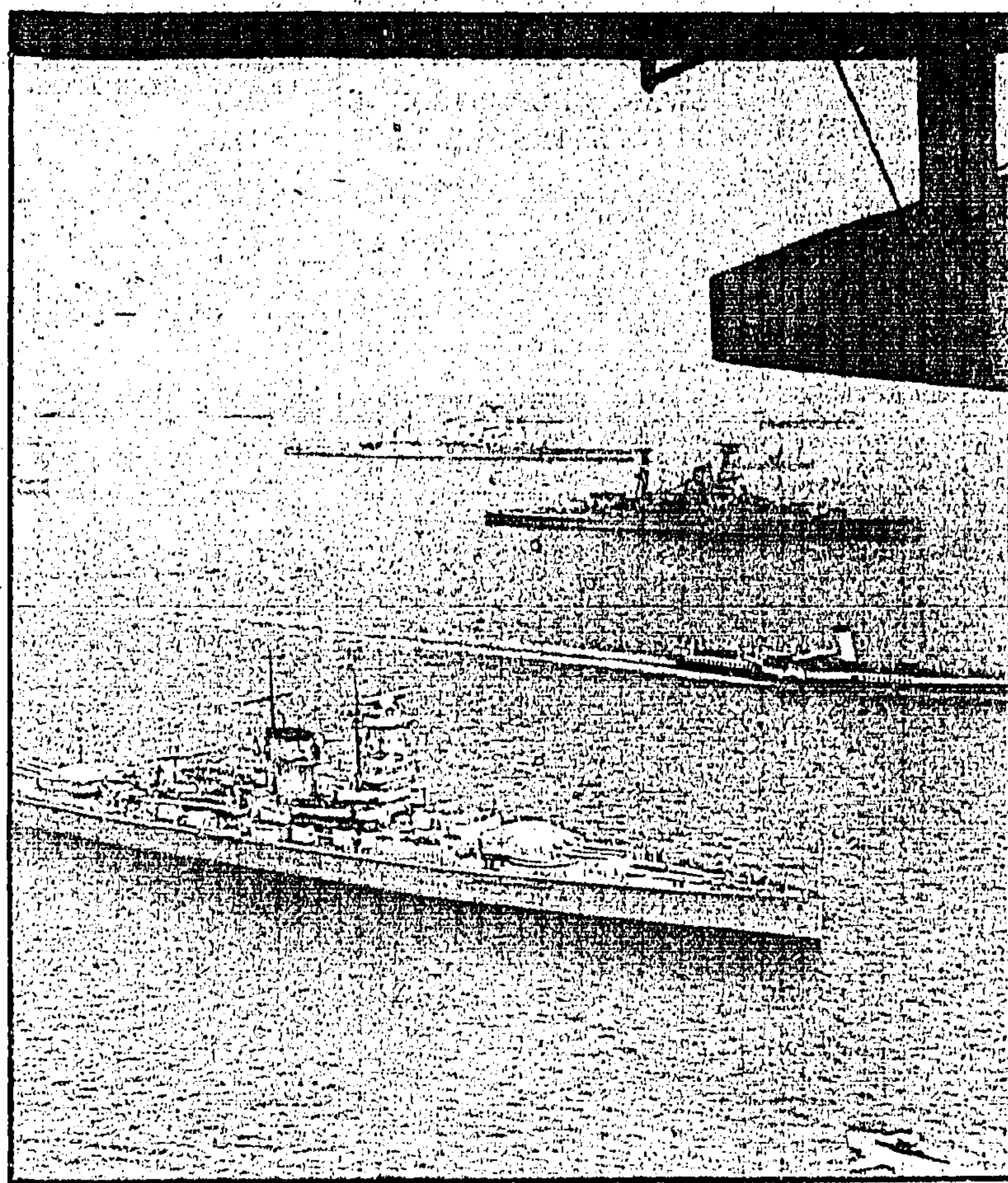
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Big Firm's Decision Shakes City

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But the news shook Stock Ex-
change members recently.
There are several partners in the
firm, and some of them, including
Mr. George F. Rothschild, senior
partner, were on the floor of the
Stock Exchange during the day.
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and expressions of hope and regret.
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have been up to 97s. were quoted
at 37s. 6d. West Wits 10s.
which have been 219, could be had
for 20. Confidence was restored
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When she vanished recently her father suspected kidnappers; an intensive hunt was begun.

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She had washed dishes, laundered the baby's clothes, polished floors and—red polished her nails. That red polish was the only complaint Mrs. Wartell had to make against her new maid.

He Craved For Money

Earned £12 A Week,
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CHARLES WILLIAM KNIGHT, brilliant mathematician, rose from being an office boy on the Stock Exchange to chief accountant of a City company—then his mathematics went all astray.

All because he craved for money, craved so desperately that in about fifteen months he obtained £12,400 by forging cheques—the total amount involved was £14,400.

That craving led him recently to the Old Bailey where he pleaded guilty to forging and uttering cheques. It led him to a cell from which he later passed to gaol to begin a three-year sentence.

The prosecution said he had forged the signature of the secretary and managing director of the company.

Knight's craving for money was induced by his desire to spend money—big money, to give it away.

For instance:—His own tastes were simple, but he would lend large sums to friends and acquaintances.

He gave presents of wine, spirits, expensive cigars. He staged parties at which he bought each guest six bottles of champagne.

His salary?

His friends thought it was £50 a week—judging by the rate of his expenditure.

It was £12 a week.

And he was allowing his wife from whom he had been living apart for the past eighteen months, £15 a week—£3 more than he earned.

'SNOWBALL'

His counsel, Mr. Derek Curtis Bennett, said it was the old story of a snowball starting in a small way. Knight thought that his ventures on the Stock Exchange would eventually be successful, that he would be able to retrieve his position.

Miss Alma Tremayne, thirty-six-year-old business woman friend of Knight, was in court when he was sentenced. She said:—

"I have known him for two years, sufficiently long to realise that he was a man with more good than evil in him."

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Princess Elizabeth, eldest daughter to the British King and Queen, photographed leaving Westminster Abbey during the Coronation festivities.

GREEK POTTERY USED FOR WINE 4,000 YEARS OLD

St. Louis.
Pottery 4,000 years old has been found in excavations in Attica, Greece, according to a report to the St. Louis Society of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Dr. George E. Mylonas of Washington University here, who made the report, stated that "grape seeds were found, the earliest evidence of the existence of grapes and wine in Greece," in the bottom of a jar.

Dr. Mylonas said that other discoveries "represent Attica at a time when the Olympian gods had not yet established themselves atop Olympus." He estimated that knowledge of human life in Greece now goes back to approximately 2700 B. C., with the earliest 13 centuries only recently brought to light.

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could have come into court and proved that he had helped them. He was always giving away money."

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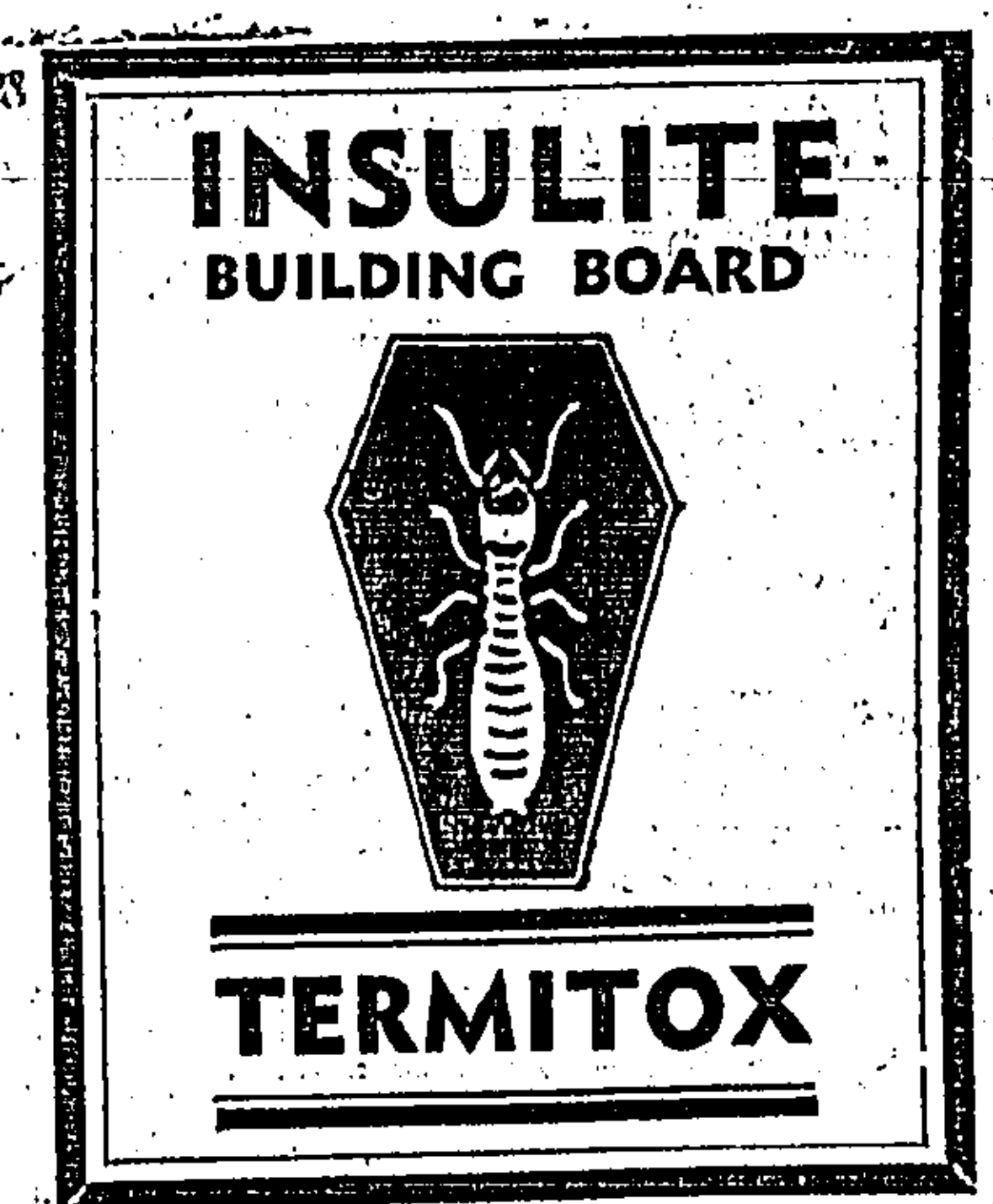


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ITALY AND THE MEDITERRANEAN

There are those who regard the continued presence of Italian forces in Spain as part and parcel of Italy's ambition to secure control of the Mediterranean. All through the piece, there has been an obvious disinclination on the part of Italy to back out of her Spanish adventure; indeed, one of Mussolini's spokesmen on the Non-Intervention Committee bluntly declared some little time ago that not an Italian soldier would be recalled from Spain until the war had been won by General Franco. One of England's best-known political and literary reviews, in commenting on this question of Fascist domination over a vital link in the world's communications, says this is no mere question of British Imperialism. What is at stake in the Mediterranean is not simply the Suez route to India and the East, or free access to the oil pipe-lines of Iraq. Command of the "middle sea" by Italy would cut France off from Algeria, and deny to the Black Sea countries, and to Greece, Yugo-Slavia and Egypt access to the Atlantic save by Italy's goodwill. This assessment of the situation, it may be noted, is not that of an Imperialistic or Conservative organ, but of one of Britain's most progressive weeklies. It is claimed by this authority that already Italy's threat to the freedom of the Mediterranean is disquieting. She has fortified the island of Pantellaria and greatly enlarged her naval and air force bases in Sicily, thereby dominating the narrow passage between Sicily and Tunisia. She has virtually occupied Majorca and is engaged in turning Pollenza Bay into a first-class seaplane base. If, it is contended, she is permitted to strengthen her forces in the Peninsula and eventually to master Spain, she will be in a position to "sterilise" Gibraltar and command the Straits completely by fortifying Ceuta and Tarifa Point. Obviously, neither Britain nor France would ignore the implications of such a development. These, however, are some of the possibilities of which account has to be taken. There are those who think that every key point in the Mediterranean should be placed under international control. Such a step would certainly be a potent factor in removing potential causes of jealousy and friction. It may, at the moment, appear to be little other than an ideal to be aimed at, but the time may come when idealism may be transformed into actuality. At present, however, the necessity of the case is to prevent Fascist control of the Mediterranean, and in this connection, seeing that withdrawal of foreign nationals engaged in the Spanish war has still to be achieved, the business

Making Matrimony Amenable Was Herbert's Job.

THE passing of the Bill reforming the Divorce Laws of England has brought to the tip of the tongue the name of that fantastic, poetic comedian politician A. P. Herbert, whose forceful personality and kindly humanity have been mainly responsible for this happy result.

Herbert has championed the campaign to free England of D.O.R.A.'s apron strings and fought hard to modernise Thames traffic with a fleet of motor buses. The biggest job he undertook was the revision of the divorce laws, the cruelty of which he exemplified in his novel "Holy Deadlock."

At the General Election of November 1935, he stood for Oxford University as an Independent and was elected. Though he had qualified for his B.A. degree in 1914, Herbert had never taken it but he then lost no time in becoming an official student, taking the degree and paying the dues to obtain the M.A. degree.

Alan Patrick Herbert, the British humorist, novelist and librettist, was born at Ashted, Epsom, in 1890. His father was an Irish civil servant and his mother came of the Selwyn family which has supplied so many bishops.

He was educated at Winchester College and New College, Oxford where he published a book of light verse and won the King's Medal for English Verse. Herbert began to send contributions to *Punch* at 16 and got one accepted in his last term at school. At Oxford he took a first class in law in June, 1914, but two months later joined the Royal Naval Division. In the uniform of a Leading Seaman he married in December, 1914, a daughter of Harry Quilter, the artist. Then he took a commission and went to the Dardanelles afterwards serving in France where he was wounded and invalided home, spending the last year of the war in the convey section at the Admiralty. He was for two years private secretary to Sir Leslie Scott, K.C., M.P. Although he has been called to the Bar, he has never practised, as he preferred a literary career, and his topical comments in *Punch* are written with delicate, but telling humour in finished literary style. In 1924 he was made a member of the *Punch* staff and represented that periodical at the Imperial Press Conference at Melbourne in 1925.

HIS BARGE LIFE

Herbert is very fond of boating and sailing and makes a study of life on canal barges and on London River. He lives facing the Thames at Hammer-smith and chugs about in his motor barge, the Ark. Incidentally, it was the Ark which provided the setting for his delightful novel "The Water Gipsies". This barge confines his voyages to canals and rivers and, moored off his house, it has become quite a familiar feature of the London waterscape—so much so that guides in pleasure launches have been heard to tell

of those who want the control scheme to work effectively is to see that no more go in. It would be a serious matter for Europe as a whole were Fascism to secure full domination of Spain. And it is a recognition of this possibility as part and parcel of Italy's foreign policy which has for many months past given rise to much misgiving and apprehension, and which still remains a factor in the troubled situation arising from the Spanish conflict. Recent events, threatening a breakdown of the non-intervention scheme, invest the situation with fresh gravity. Obviously, if new dangers are to be avoided, there must be a resumption of full co-operation in that scheme. This is Britain's aim, and, as Lord Cranborne has remarked, this is all the more necessary if any real progress is to be made in the direction of securing a withdrawal of foreign combatants from Spanish territory.

These Names Make News



Mr. A. P. Herbert, *Punch* writer, politician, poet, earns highest marks by achieving a reform in the divorce laws of Britain.

sightseers: "That's Mr. A. P. Herbert's Ark". Much of his work is done on board it. But he wrote most happily in a liner far from England. On one occasion when he intended merely to go to Colombo he finished up in Australia. Ceylon he regards as "Britain's best island".

Among his many delightful and amusing books are "The Bomber Gipsy", "The House by the River", "The Wherefore and the Why", "The Man About Town", "The Old Flame", "Plain Jane", "The Trials of Topsy" and "Topsy, M.P.". "The Water Gipsies" makes an irresistible appeal to all who love life as it is lived. Episodes of barge life account for the title, but the story is chiefly concerned with the experiences of a screen-struck servant girl. Herbert's legal training led him to write his clever series of "Misleading Cases". His first stage effort was a children's play, "King of the Castle", written with W. Armstrong and produced at the Liverpool Repertory Theatre. But what he likes best is supplying the words for comic operas. He is the cleverest librettist since W. S. Gilbert. The operas in which he has collaborated include "The Blue Peter", "Riverside Nights", "La Vie Parisienne", "Mother of Pearl", "Tan-

tivy Towers", "Helen" and "Derby Day", all full of excellent satire. In "Tantivy Towers" the Earl sings:

Every fox has to die
By and by, by and by.
But what he abhors is a gun.
So we hunt him with hounds
Over other folk's grounds,
For that is his notion of fun.

Commodore Dicken Follows Father

A remarkable coincidence that has escaped general notice so far attends the appointment of Capt. E.B.C. Dicken to Commodore, Hongkong.

In his Office a few days ago, I saw a photograph of the Staff in 1904. The central figure was Commodore C. G. Dicken, father of the present Commodore. The coincidence is even greater in that both, besides filling the same post, are also appointed to the same depot ship, namely H.M.S. Tamar.

Former Commodore C. G. Dicken is aged 83. The ancient Boy who is attached to the Commodore's office and bears the name of Fung has seen so many brass-hats go through his hands that he now uses them to record the passage of the years. When asked how long he had been "in

office," Fung replied simply: "Twenty-two Commodores."

After Farewell Party Still Here

THE vagaries of Foreign Offices are notorious and the French are no exception to the rule. For this reason the farewell cocktail party which M. J. Leurquin gave on Thursday was for his wife and daughter and not, as originally planned, for himself as well. Mme. Leurquin will sail for Home on the Felix Roussel on June 15. Her daughter, who is taking examinations at Shanghai, will arrive by the same ship and will go on to Paris with her mother.

M. Leurquin is cordial in his praise of Hongkong as the plum of the French Colonial Service in the Far East, but leave is leave and the brief announcement from Paris that he could not be replaced at the moment upsets the long-laid plans he had made for the summer.

In addition, the strikes in France have held up mail for the last four weeks, and since the Colonial Office is thrifty when it comes to using cables, it is possible that when permission for leave is granted, it will remain in the post for some time.

M. Leurquin has had 23 years in the Consular service in the Far East. Perhaps his most thrilling moment was on June 25, 1925 when a compatriot standing next to him on the Bund at Shanghai was shot dead by a Chinese mob. Other Europeans were also injured and Chinese were shot. But those days are gone, as M. Leurquin says, and relations between the countries are never likely to bring them back.

The French Consul-General served at Chengtu during the Chinese revolution and saw the looting of the native part of the town. He was in Peiping during the War and after his work in the office by day would go to the barracks of the Legation Guard—to which several of the Consular body were mobilised—and be on duty in case of emergency. The most serious duty they had to perform was to act as "Guards of Honour" on occasions!

M. Leurquin has also served at Chungking, Hohow, Canton, Hankow, Swatow and Shanghai.

Italian Assistants

China's Finances

PASSING through Hongkong last week with a marked lack of ostentation was one of the founders of the Fascist Government and the keenest financial brains of Europe.

I refer to His Excellency Signor Alberto de Stefani, Financial Adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who is now in Nanking starting on the huge task of reorganising the financial system of China. Signor Stefani was invited by the Government to undertake the task and sailed from his native land by permission of Il Duce a few months ago. He will probably remain in China for two years. His wife is in Nanking but his son travelled with him through Hongkong and he was also accompanied by a secretary and a Chinese general.

Signor Stefani has a famous name in Italy. After the March on Rome in 1922, he became Minister of Finance to the Fascist Government. In that capacity he transformed the financial system to suit the changed economic structure of the country, created laws which effectively prevented unhealthy speculation on the Stock Exchange and raised huge loans to carry out such public works as the reclamation of the Pontina Marshes, and other areas in Italy and Sardinia. He retired in 1926 and became a member of the Italian Academy, still carrying out Government duties.

Attendant on the success with which he had filled office came the invitation from the Chinese Government to do similar work for them.

Pop Parker.

BULLS AND INNERS

From the Office Butts

A Hongkong resident who has just returned from the Northern port has reached the conclusion that the only silent thing about Shanghai is the water.

A Peak lady complains that her houseboy has left, despite the fact that he was treated "almost as one of the family." Maybe that's the reason.

Jokes about the weather are getting a bit tiresome. None the less, we could do with a little dry humour now and then.

The Near East is regarded in some parts of Scotland as a humorous reference to Aberdeen.

Latest howler: Psyche is the Goddess of Cyclists.

The guaranteeing of free speech is all right, but what we most need is some guarantee of its quality.

"Skark at H.K. Bathing Plie," says news poster. Enough to make anybody skream!

A story of an alleged waterfront assault was disbelieved by the Kowloon Magistrate. Heard the story with a grain of assault.

We hear that a well-known local Army officer has changed the name of his flat. He used to call it "The Nutshell", but too many people came along to ask if the kernel was in.

Ex-King Alfonso of Spain has spent most of his fortune aiding the Spanish rebels. He's put his money away for a reigny day.

London newspapers expressed exasperation at "cuts" imposed in the Coronation film by the Archbishop of Canterbury. That makes him a film censor.

According to latest traffic statistics, one pedestrian is knocked down every six hours in Hongkong. He must find it awfully tedious.

Two attempts to steal watches from a Chinese shop in Shanghai Street were foiled, and the thieves were captured. Well, they can comfort themselves with the thought that where they're going they'll have plenty of time on their hands.

Labour troubles are increasing in the Hawaiian Islands. Well, if they're all unemployed they can easily go on to those Dole pineapples we hear so much about.

SHOT SOLDIER WHO DESERTED FOR BRIDE

Barefoot Dash Through Street

Belfast, May 6.

TRAGEDY marked a dramatic swop by police and soldiers here to-day when an Army deserter made a 200-yards dash for liberty and was shot.

He was Private Thomas Arbuckle, aged 20, who had been an absentee from the Royal Irish Fusiliers at Bordon, Hampshire, since Easter.

He was taken to the Mater Hospital, and there his 20-year-old wife, Maria—bride of only seven months—reached his bedside only a few minutes before he died.

In a last farewell to her he whispered, "They shot me."

It was a drama of love triumphing over duty, for Arbuckle had been an absentee to be with his bride.

The swoop had taken place at dawn when the police and soldiers surrounded a house in Ardilea-street, in the Old Park area of the city, where he was thought to be in hiding.

Barefoot and clad only in his shirt and trousers, Arbuckle escaped over the back wall of the house, and fled into a network of passages.

UPSET AT SEPARATION

He dashed for an open space in Flax-street, with bullets whistling round his head, and was within a few yards of the corner of a mill, which provided a prospect of escape, when he collapsed with a bullet in his thigh.

Traces on the ground showed that he had even then struggled to continue his flight.

Mrs. Arbuckle, who had been called from her parents' home in Gracchill-

street, told of the boy and girl romance which had brought her husband home to brief happiness and then death.

"When he went to Bordon after our marriage," she said, "we were greatly distressed at the separation. He wrote regularly and sent me photographs of life in camp."

"I think he disliked the Army and wanted to be near me."

"DECIDED TO STAY"

"He came home on leave on Easter Saturday, and was due back on the following Tuesday. We had a happy holiday, and my husband decided to stay at home. We lived with my parents, but afterwards he moved to Ardilea-street, where I saw him every day."

"This morning I was awakened and told he had been shot."

"I don't know what is to become of me. I have no money and no means of support."

FIVE SHOTS HEARD

Mrs. Hunter, her mother, said that Arbuckle had stayed at her house for some time, but he left when the police came to look for him.

Residents in the area adjoining



CORONATION GARD—Here is a picture of a British nobleman in his coronation robe. This is the Marquess of Aberdeen and Temair who recently posed in London. The Marquess is a countryman of Queen Elizabeth, who comes from a famous Scottish family.

Ardilea-street said they heard five shots.

The shooting was raised in the Ulster House of Commons to-night.

and Mr. A. B. Babington, K.C., the Attorney General, said: "The whole case will be inquired into within the next few days at the inquest."

IF PRINCESS ELIZABETH WED Left To M.P.s To Fix Income

£15,000 A YEAR WHEN SHE IS 21

By GUY EDEN

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD PRINCESS ELIZABETH is to be given a personal income of about £115 a week—£6,000 a year—under the new Civil List prepared by a Select Committee of M.P.s, and made public last night.

When she comes of age, at twenty-one, she will receive £15,000 a year—if she has no brother.

Provision is made in the report for the possible birth of a son to the King and Queen. He would become Prince of Wales, Her Apparent to the Throne, and would take the revenues from the Duchy of Cornwall estates, estimated to produce £100,000 this year.

The Duke of Gloucester, who is performing many duties of the heir, is to receive £10,000 a year for life, besides the £25,000 he already gets.

As there is only one Civil List in each reign, the committee have looked far ahead, and report on:

Possible marriage of the unborn Prince of Wales;

An allowance for his widow.

Possible marriage of Princess Elizabeth;

If a new Prince of Wales marries, his wife will receive £10,000 a year from funds accumulated during his minority, and £30,000 a year if he dies before her.

About Princess Elizabeth's marriage, the committee say: "We make no recommendation for any special provision for the Princess's marriage, because we are of opinion that it would be for Parliament to make such provision as may seem proper at that time in the light of the circumstances then prevailing."

Princess Margaret Rose will receive £20,000 a year when she is twenty-one. Younger sisters, if any, will get the same allowance, and brothers—other than a Prince of Wales—£10,000 to be increased to £25,000 on marriage.

No direct mention is made of the Duke of Windsor, but there are two passing references to "his former Majesty."

Increase in the annual limit of "Civil List pensions"—given to people who have done service to arts, science, and literature, and have fallen on hard times—from £1,200 to £2,000 is recommended.



Professor Sergei Voronov, the renowned rejuvenator, famous for his experiments in rejuvenating monkeys, is seen photographed together with his wife in London, where the couple went to see the Coronation.

The Man Who Cheated Death

ANY night you care to call on Ernest Warren, of Southwark, you will find this plump, genial publican playing darts with his customers, joking with them, fulfilling all the duties of the perfect host.

Yet doctors have told Mr. Warren that according to all the rules of medical logic he ought to be dead.

Because he has a piece of shrapnel as big as the top of a man's thumb embedded in the wall of his heart.

On April 30, 1915, Mr. Warren was blown up by a German shell. Mr. Warren was picked up with 32 pieces of shrapnel in his body. One piece had entered his back and pierced the wall of his heart.

HER ERRAND BOY

New York, Apr. 1.

MRS. EMMA SIMMS, of Moundsville, West Virginia, twenty-eight years ago sent her young son, Charles, to the butcher's for a pound of liver. He is back to-day from Alaska—with the liver—and a wife. He wrote years ago that he had not forgotten the errand and some day would complete it.

Is It Dangerous To Use Lipstick? Doctor Says "Yes": Woman Specialist "No"

IF, like millions of women, you powder your nose, varnish your finger-nails and use lipstick, this story concerns you.

LIPSTICK is "repulsive and dangerous," according to Dr. W. Hunter, Medical Officer of Health for West Bridgford, a fashionable suburb of Nottingham.

"The increase in the use of cosmetics among young girls is not without danger," he writes in his annual report to the urban council.

"Lipstick may give rise to a form of eczema of the lips, ending in dangerous fissures."

"Plucking of eyebrows, painting of nails, and smoking of cigarettes by young girls are to be strongly condemned," he adds.

A woman doctor who is a skin specialist, said:

"I cannot agree with Dr. Hunter. Most lipsticks are harmless. They are composed mostly of lard or some other fatty base, and coloured with cochineal. These constituents are not poisonous. We eat them in cakes."

"I have known a few cases of lip troubles caused by bad lipstick which have been used by unscrupulous

makers aniline dyes, there is danger of red, swollen, and itchy eyelids.

"But most women don't suffer from this irritation, so I can only conclude that most preparations of this kind are harmless."

"There are some people who are 'allergic' or sensitive to the substances contained in any cosmetic. They get a kind of rash as soon as they apply any powder or lipstick."

"It is not the fault of the cosmetics. There are some men who cannot kiss a girl without getting nettle-rash on the lips and face. This is because they are 'allergic' to some substance in the girl's powder or lipstick."

"But anyone who condemns cosmetics in general is talking nonsense."

A London beauty expert said:

"Women living in towns benefit greatly by the use of make-up, which acts as a protection against the germs contained in the dust and dirt which is bound to collect on their skin during the day."

Mr. "Tommy" Dugdale, the portrait painter, famous for his portraits of "red-headed beauties," gave as his view that cosmetics greatly accentuate beauty when used skillfully.

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No. 1—La Capricieuse de Nanette; No. 2—Demande et réponse; No. 3—Un Sonnet d'amour; No. 4—La tarantelle freilillante.

Fantasia on Melodies of Johann Strauss (Weber)... Marck Weber and His Orchestra; Die Fledermaus (The Bat), (Strauss), Danse Espagnole (Spanish Dance), (Granados)... Edith Lorand and Her Viennese Orchestra.

1 p.m. Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.03 p.m. Quentin MacLean at the Cinema Organ.

Edward German Selection; Parade of Parades—Selection; Cinema Memories.

1.20 p.m. Three Songs by Tito Schipa (Tenor).

La Camparsita—Tango; Little Princess (Pudilla); Farewell, my Granada (Barrera).

1.30 p.m. Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Variety and Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—The state of my heart; A rendezvous with a dream... Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra; Piano Solo—Old Fashioned Love... Buck Washington; Fox-Trots—Cotton, Truckin'... Duke Ellington and His Orchestra; Orchestra—Stars over Broadway—Selection, Rise and Shine—Selection... Sydney Kite and His Piccadilly Hotel Band; Fox-Trots—Stop! look and listen, Yankee Doodle never went to Town... Joe Venuti and His Orchestra; Piano Solo—The Birth of the Blues... Eddie Baker; Fox-Trot—I ain't got nobody... Cab Calloway and His Orchestra.

2.15 p.m. Close Down.

7 p.m.—12 midnight, European Programme.

7 p.m. De Groot and His Concert Orchestra.

"Samson and Delilah"—Selection (Saint-Saens); The Song of Songs (Moyse); La Violette (Pudilla); Romance (Rubinstein); I love you (Grieg); In the night (Tate); Under the Rooks of Paris (Moyet); Zigeuner (Geehl); When the great red dawn is shining (Sharpe).

7.30 p.m. Hongkong Stock Exchange Summary and Exchange Market Report.

7.33 p.m. Songs of the Sea. Sea Shanties... Gerald and His Accordion Band, with Male Chorus; Shenandoah (arr. Terry)... Paul Monahan (Bass); Outward Bound; Drake's Drum (Stanford)... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

7.50 p.m. Orchestra Mascotte. Exultation—Waltz (Lautenschlager); Blossom Dreams—Waltz (Kojima Tsuki); Spring in Japan—Waltz (Tadatsuke Ohno).

8 p.m. Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. A Programme of Variety.

Orchestra—The Countess Maritza—Potpourri (Kallman)... Edith Lorand and her Viennese Orchestra;

Vocal—Two White Arms... Adolphe Menjou (Baritone); Instrumental—Goodnight Vienna... Len Ellis (Guitar); Organ Solos—Festivals (Rubinstein); Sylvia Ballet—Fantasy (Delibes)... Marcel Palotti; Humorous Sketch—The Beefsteak... Stanley Holloway; Orchestra—There's a small Hotel—Fox-Trot... Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Vocal—Grace's and Sandy's Party... Grace Fields and Sandy Powell; Orchestra—Let's Sing again—Slow Fox-Trot... Victor Silvester and his Ballroom Orchestra; Vocal—Flower Song... Bobby Breen; Instrumental—Dance of the raindrops; The Punch and Judy Show... Rudy Starlin (Xylophone); Piano—Symphony—Speak Easy... The Eight Piano Symphony; Orchestra—"Mors et Vita" (Judeux (Gounod)... New Symphony Orchestra.

9 p.m. Orchestral Music.

"Ruy Blas"—Overture (Mendelssohn)... Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent; Le Rouet d'Omphale (Saint-Saens)... Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York, Conducted by Willem Mengelberg; Children's Overture (Quilter)... New Light Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

9.30 p.m. London—News and Announcements.

9.55 p.m. A Relay of Dance Music from the Grill-Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

11.10 p.m. London—"Responsibilities of Empire"—7. A talk by the Right Hon. David Lloyd George, M.P. (Electrical Recording).

11.25 p.m. Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Every time I look at you; Fox-Trot—Everybody's swingin' (Continued on Page 16.)

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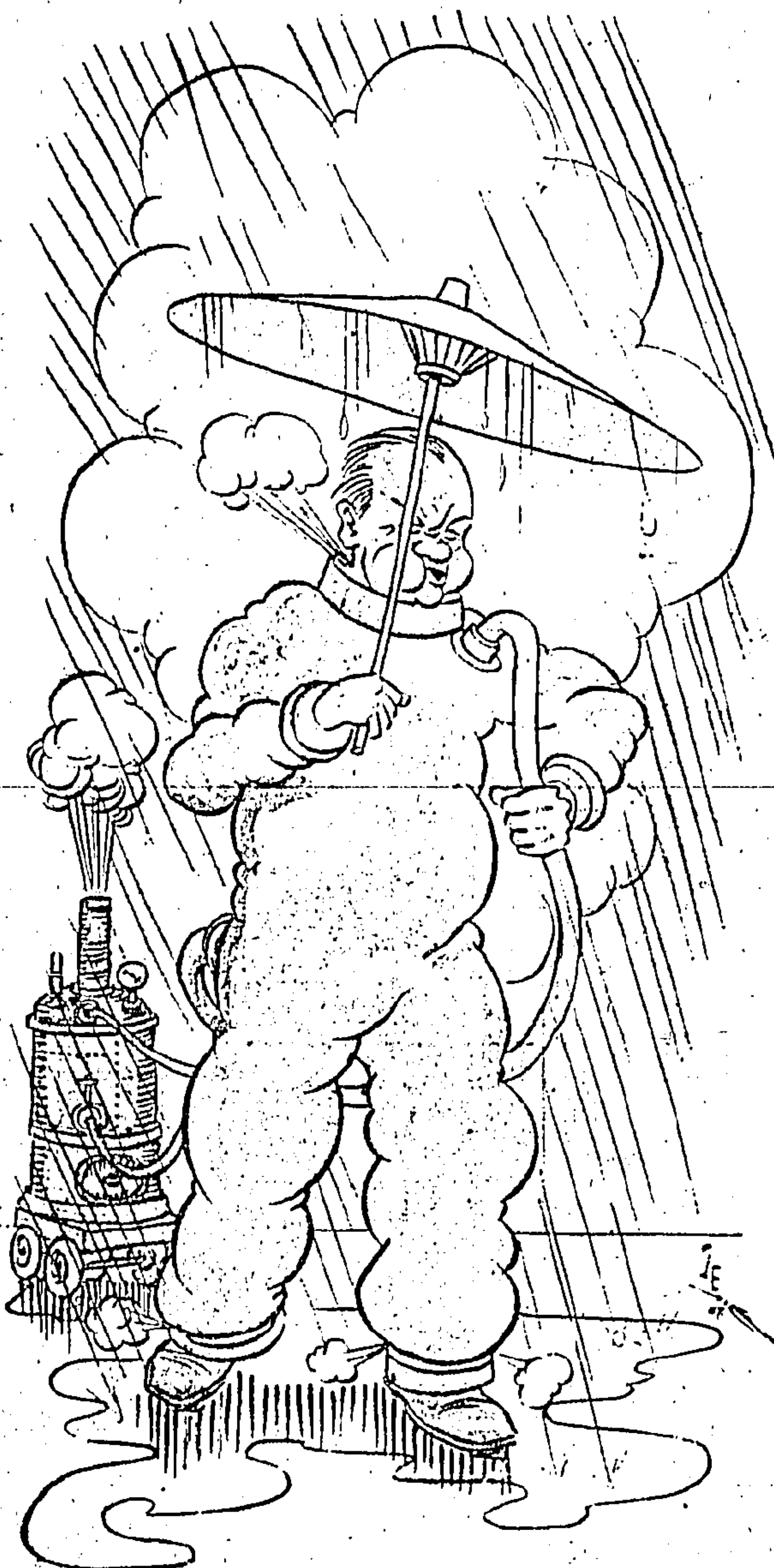
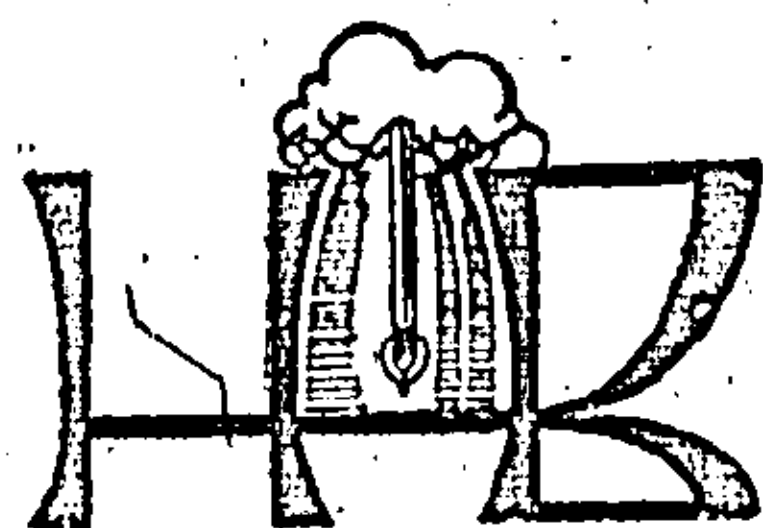
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A VISIT TO THE SOUTHAMPTON

(By a Naval Correspondent)



The King and Queen and Princess Elizabeth photographed at Victoria Station on their way to Portsmouth for the Coronation Naval Review.



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The cruiser Southampton, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral T. F. P. Calvert, C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., commanding the Second Cruiser Squadron, which I was permitted to visit at Portland recently is a vessel of an entirely new type, and the forerunner of ten cruisers of 9,000 to 10,000 tons armed with 6-in. guns, now being completed or built under the naval programmes of 1933 to 1936 inclusive.

With her sister ship, the Newcastle, the Southampton was commissioned about three weeks ago. The Glasgow, Sheffield, and Birmingham, of the 1934 programme will shortly be completed for service in the Second Cruiser Squadron, which will then consist of five fine ships of the most modern class. The other ships of similar type are the Liverpool, Manchester, and Gloucester, of the 1935 programme, and the Edinburgh and Belfast of that for 1936. All these ships are now under construction.

The building of the first of these vessels was announced by Lord Monsell—then First Lord of the Admiralty—on November 14, 1933. He explained that Britain preferred ships of round about 7,000 tons; but that Japan, in 1931, had laid down two 8,500-ton cruisers armed with fifteen 6.1 inch guns, while the United States was to build four 10,000-tonners, each carrying fifteen 6 inch. If we continued to build smaller ships, he said, they would be definitely inferior to those of other Powers. The decision has amply been justified. Four more ships of the same class have since been built by Japan, while the Americans, are constructing an additional five.

FOUR TRIPLE TURRETS

Built at Messrs. John Brown's famous yard at Clydebank, the Southampton mounts twelve 6-inch guns in four triple turrets, eight 4-inch anti-aircraft guns, and six torpedo tubes. With her two light raking tripod masts, her pair of streamlined funnels, and the built-in aircraft hangar forming an extension of the bridge structure abait the foremast, she is unlike any cruiser that has gone before; but a handsome ship which gives a good impression of speed and seaworthiness.

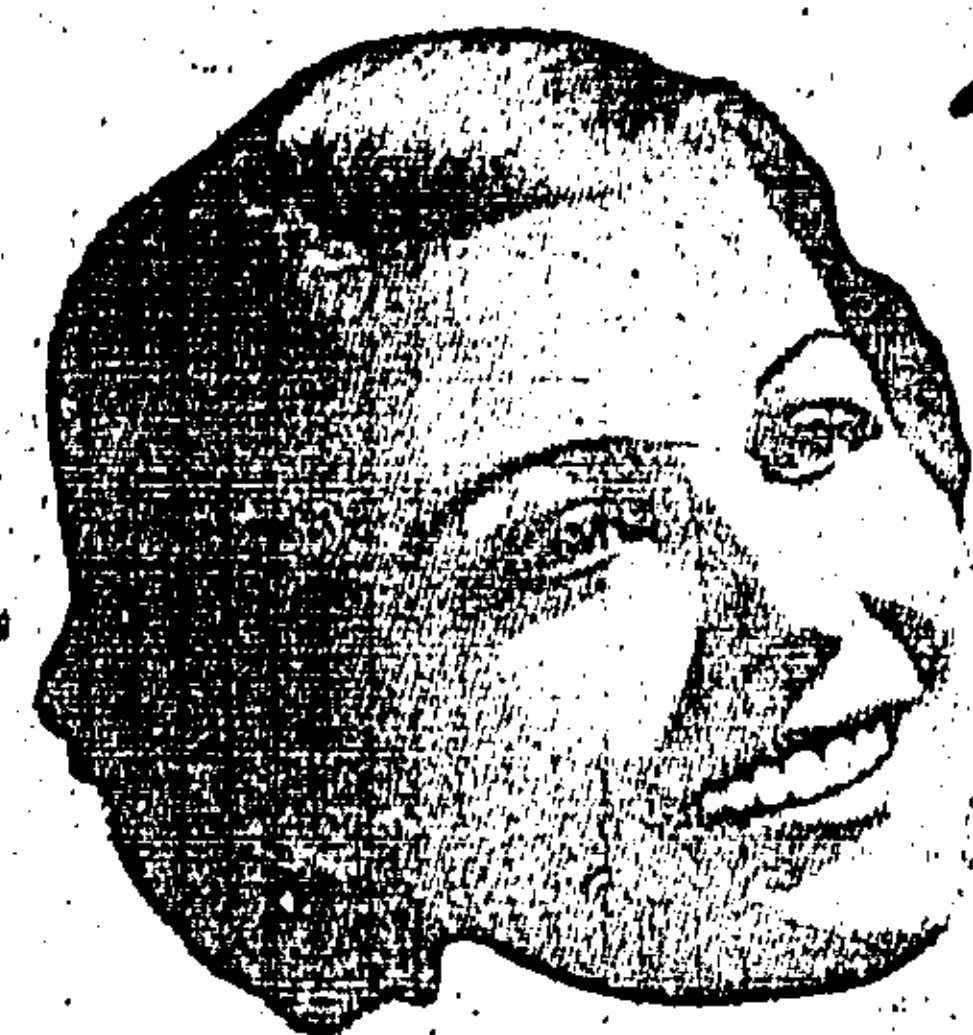
Three Walrus amphibian aircraft are provided, with a launching catapult between the funnels, and two lifting cranes on top of the hangar. The designed speed of the ship, on a horse power of 76,000, is thirty-two knots, though I understand this was exceeded on trials. According to one book of reference available to the public, 1,970 tons of oil fuel are carried, which means that she can make long ocean passages without refuelling.

The Southampton's peace-time complement is a flagship is 750 officers and men. The mess-decks are high and roomy, with specially designed illumination to prevent eyestrain, and a system of forced ventilation which has already proved most effective with the vessel battened down. Incidentally, she proved herself to be an excellent sea-boat during a spell of bad weather on her way south from the builders.

A MEMORABLE RECORD

The traditions surrounding an old and honoured ship-name play an important part in encouraging and maintaining esprit de corps, and the present ship, the fifth Southampton, has a memorable record. The name was first used for a man-of-war in the seventeenth century, while a second Southampton had fifty-five years of active service before being wrecked in the Bahamas in 1812. The third, built in 1808, was not broken up until 1912. The most famous of all, however, was the fourth Southampton, a light cruiser, flew the Broad Pendant of the gallant Commodore (now Admiral Sir William) Goodenough at the battles of the Heligoland Bight, the Dogger Bank, and Jutland, and rendered services which will always be held up as a model of cruiser work in action. The battle honours on the official ship's scroll are Quiberon Bay (1759); First of June (1794); Capture of the French frigate L'Utile (1796); St. Vincent (1797); Heligoland Bight (1814); Dogger Bank (1915); Jutland (1916)—a goodly list.

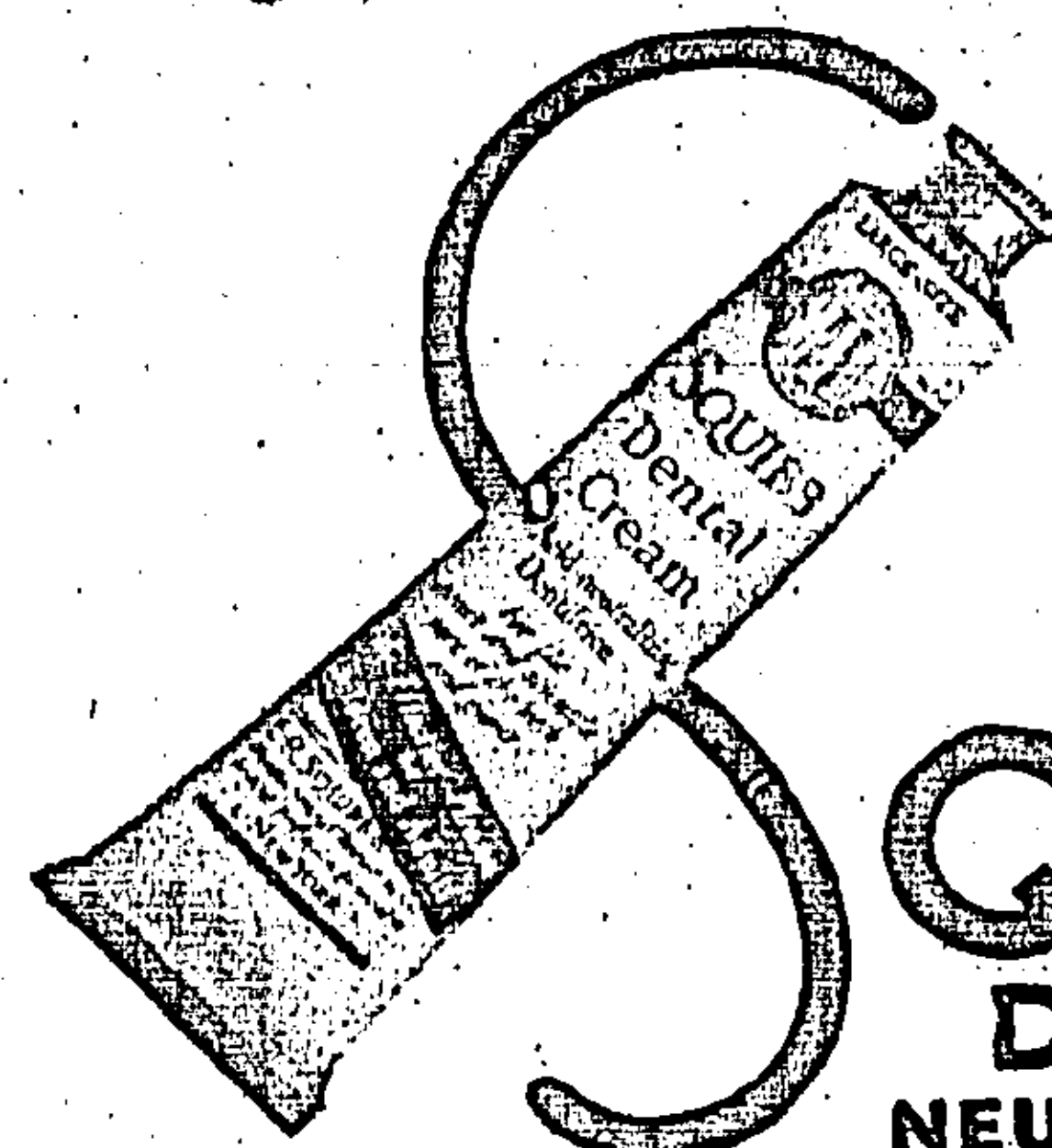
The ship carries the plate, including the handsome shield and rose bowl, given to the fourth Southampton by the city of that name in 1913. Only recently, in Portland harbour, further gifts of silver cups were made to the ship by the men's and women's sections of the Southampton Branches of the British Legion. This sort of definite interest and connection between the ship and the port is very much to the good, and between July 17 and 24, when the Southampton will be at Southampton during Merchant Navy Week, the inhabitants of the city will be able to see her for themselves. They may be assured of a welcome. The Southampton and Newcastle were also lying at Gravesend between May 7 and 13 during the Coronation celebrations in London, and were present at the Naval Review at Spithead on May 30. During Navy Week, in August, the Southampton will also be one of the chief attractions at Chatham.



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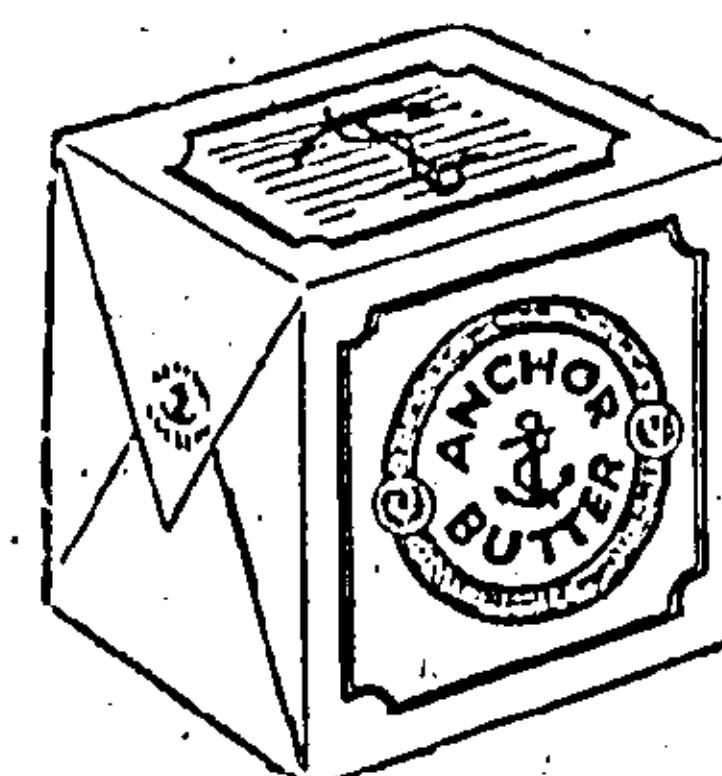
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CHIEF SCOUT AT SERVICE
Lord Baden-Powell, with the Dean of Windsor (the Very Rev. Albert Baillie), after the service. The Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Lang) is seen chatting to a Scout.



PASSING SHADOWS In the early morning sunshine on the Horse Guards Parade as the eight grey horses drew the State coach in the Coronation procession rehearsal. Crowds again lined the route from Buckingham Palace to Westminster Abbey.

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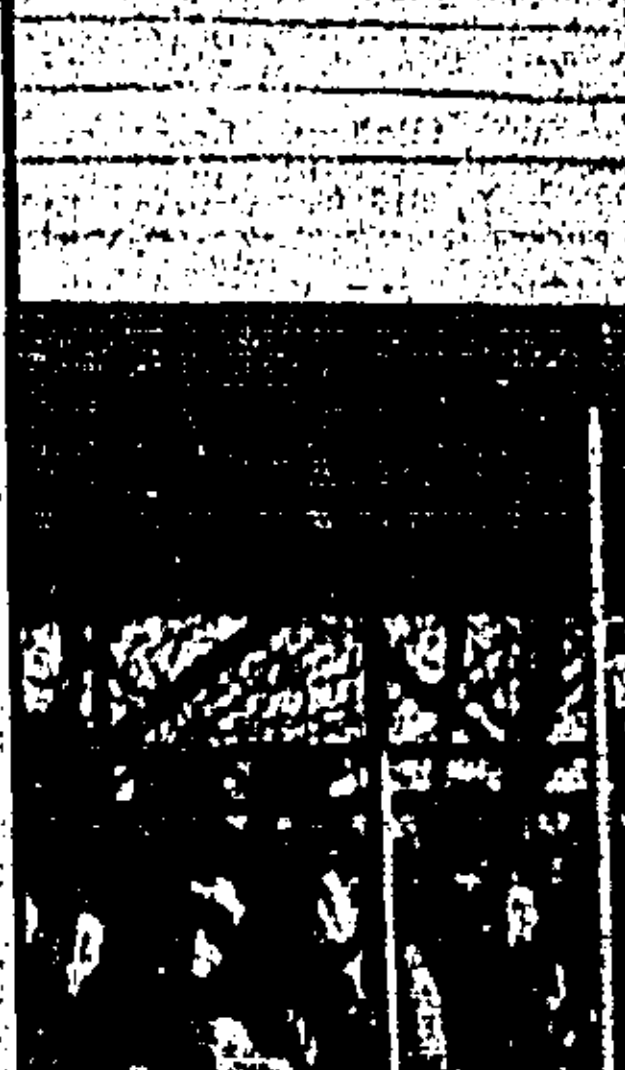
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TRUST the British Bobby to be on the spot. When a small spectator attempted to use the higher reaches of the Victoria Memorial as a vantage point, who brought him down? A policeman. And when a stand was seen smouldering near the Palace (right), who prevented a fire? Why, a policeman.

BRILLIANT BATTING FEATURES COUNTY CRICKET

Hammond's Double Century: Dempster Hits Two 100's

YORKSHIRE'S BIG WIN

SUSSEX CONTINUE TO SHOW BEST FORM

London, June 4. A double century by Walter Hammond of Gloucester, three-figure contributions by C. S. Dempster the Leicestershire player in two successive innings and eight other centuries were high marks in the first class cricket programme which ended to-day.

The Gloucester v. Leicester match, which Gloucester won on first innings produced an aggregate of 1,121 runs for the loss of 23 wickets. In addition to Hammond's knock of 217 and Dempster's magnificent efforts of 133 and 154 not out, Neale hit up 121 for Gloucester and Armstrong made a fine 119 for Leicester. It was one of the highest scoring games of the season to date.

Thanks to some grand batting by Hutton (101) and Leyland (107) together with Verity's destructive bowling which earned him figures of 6 for 53 and 5 for 60, Yorkshire won handsomely against Worcester. The Tykes were on top throughout and Worcester did not look like avoiding defeat.

Sussex continued their winning way, this time beating Essex. J. Cornford's clever bowling (5 for 36) dismissed Essex in their first innings for 82, and with Cox scoring a century, Sussex played themselves in a pretty impregnable position. Essex did better in their second attempt and compiled 292, but they were 162 runs short.

The champions, Derbyshire, suffered a set-back when they were made to concede first innings points to Lancashire. Here again scoring was fairly high. Lancashire hit up 305 and then 100 for 2, with Derbyshire responding with 279 and 245. Watson scored 107 for Lancashire and some useful bowling was accomplished by Copson of Derbyshire (5 for 73) and Sibbles of Lancashire (5 for 73).

New Zealanders easily had the better of a drawn match with Northants. The visitors showed fine batting form, scoring 334 and 280 for 4. Northants were well behind on the first innings, being sent back for 185, but they played out time fairly comfortably, putting together 308 for the loss of four wickets. Brookes hit up 102 not out.

Below will be found the results at a glance, together with the leading individual performances. These scores were cabled by Reuter.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Glamorgan (335 and 172/4 dec.) beat Hampshire (253 and 195) by 59 runs.

Lancashire (305 and 100/2) beat

Derbyshire (279 and 245) on first innings

Gloucestershire (471) beat Leicestershire (351 and 239/3) on first innings

Nottinghamshire (304 and 111/1) beat Somerset (235 and 268) by nine wickets

Sussex (213 and 333) beat Essex (92 and 292) by 162 runs

Yorkshire (460) beat Worcestershire (160 and 189) by an innings and 81.

OTHER MATCHES

New Zealanders (334 and 280/4) drew with Northamptonshire (185 and 308/4)

BATTING

Hammond (Gloucester) v. Leicester 217

Dempster (Leicester) v. Gloucester 133 and 154

Leyland (Yorkshire) v. Worcester 107

Armstrong (Leicester) v. Gloucester 119

Neale (Gloucester) v. Leicester 121

Cox (Sussex) v. Essex 110

Arnold (Hampshire) v. Glamorgan 107

Watson (Lancashire) v. Derbyshire 107

Brookes (Northants) v. N. Zealanders 102

Hutton (Yorkshire) v. Worcester 101

F. Lee (Somerset) v. Notis 96

* Indicates Not out.

BOWLING

Verity (Yorkshire v. Worcester) 5 for 53

Nichols (Essex) v. Sussex 6 for 78

J. Cornford (Sussex) v. Essex 5 for 39

Oakes (Sussex) v. Essex 5 for 59

Mercer (Glamorgan) v. Hampshire 5 for 66

Copson (Derbyshire) v. Lancashire 5 for 73

Sibbles (Lancashire) v. Derbyshire 5 for 78



Leyland (Yorks) scored 107

BRITISH SAILOR IS KAYOED IN 60 SECONDS

FIERCE MATCH IN SHANGHAI

By C. W. Tombs

Shanghai, June 1. Seaman Roy Bainbridge, the British sailor who bashed Kostia Levchenko into a state of insensibility in eight minutes last Friday, was last night knocked out in 150 seconds the complete duration of a bout that was scheduled to go ten two-minute rounds.

Bainbridge's conqueror was the 17 years old Andre Shelaef, Harbin's boy boxing sensation, and now the idol of Shanghai. It was his eleventh knock-out victory in twelve fights, and amazing scenes were witnessed at the Canidrome Gardens as Bainbridge was half carried to his corner in the 40th second of the second round, battered terribly by blows which left the crowd breathless with astonishment.

The youthful fury from the north first out-fought Bainbridge, then out-boxed him, and then knocked him cold. The sailor was rocked to the canvas twice, and the first time he was saved by the bell when the count had gone to four, with little likelihood of him rising.

No-one could tell what were the blows which felled the sailor, so thick and so fast did Shelaef throw them with both hands—hooks, straight blows with all the weight of his sturdy well-built shoulders behind them, swings which cut in behind the sailor's guard and finally a right upper-cut that followed his left lead in a searing jolt through Bainbridge's arms and to the chin.

SEAMAN STARTS WRONG

Bainbridge made a mistake from the start, when he attempted to make a slugging match of it, with the idea, apparently, of finishing off the youngster before he had time to get about a minute he had Shelaef retreating from his chopping left, but the Russian discovered that every time Bainbridge used his left he threw himself open, and after that Bainbridge was slowly but surely beaten to the canvas.

The British sailor tried hard to hold Shelaef away, used all of the ringcraft he knew to roll out of the tight corners into which he was driven, smothered desperately—but all to no avail.

There was no method of which he knew to stop the cruel punishment a swift, relentless youth was serving him, and as the first round drew to a close he was on the ropes with his head down between his arms and the Russian was measuring him coolly and scientifically for stinging uppercuts.

Football

Gateshead, Darlington Re-Elected

Darlington and Gateshead have been recommended for re-election to the Northern Section of the Third Division. The voting of the clubs at a meeting was as follows: Darlington 21, Gateshead 19, Wigan Athletic 3, South Liverpool nil.

Mr. C. E. Sutcliffe, President of the Football League, expressed surprise at the attitude of Northern Section clubs in applying for membership of the Southern Section of the League. He said that the matter was entirely in the hands of the Management Committee to decide which clubs should constitute the Northern and Southern Sections.

League Tennis

D. B. S. BOYS IN FINE FETTER

Win Sets For S. China "D" DIV.

Kowloon Cricket Club were given a sound thrashing by the Indian Recreation Club in a "D" Division tennis league match at Sookunpoo yesterday, the decisive of the result providing one of the biggest surprises of the week.

The losers did not concede the nine sets to a stiff struggle, five of the sets going to the advantage game. The Indians gave a very creditable performance, all three pairs being evenly matched. The team should do well in the League this summer.

At King's Park where Kowloon Indians were hosts to South China A.A., everything was overshadowed by the intriguing display of two schoolboys, the Ip brothers, who won two sets for South China.

Ip Lai and Ip Yee are members of the Diocesan Boys' School and last winter figured in the school team, performing with some distinction. The youngsters are aged 12 and 14 and show very great promise.

They played an important part in South China's victory by the odd set in nine.

Chris Pike, Police and Interport footballer, recently returned from Home leave, helped Police to beat Craigengower by seven sets to two. Playing with S. Smith, he won two and a half sets. Police were superlative throughout.

R. Blyth and G. Fowler were chiefly instrumental in the success of C.B.A. against Civil Service, winning three of five sets.

"D" DIVISION

I.R.C. 9 K.C.C. 0

K.I.T.C. 4 S.C.A.A. 0

Police 7 C.C.C. 2

C.S.C.C. 4 C.B.A. 5

I.R.C. v. K.C.C.

Indian Recreation Club beat Kowloon Cricket Club nine sets to nil.

M. H. Hassan and S. A. R. Dux (I.R.C.) beat J. L. Anderson and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.) 4-2; beat H. W. Crabbe and J. Jack 6-2.

A. M. Rumlana and T. Ali (I.R.C.) beat Anderson and Fisher 6-2; beat Crabbe and Needham 6-4; beat Crabbe and Jack 6-4.

A. R. Sumad and M. U. Razack (I.R.C.) beat Anderson and Fisher 6-2; beat Crabbe and Needham 6-4; beat Crabbe and Jack 6-2.

K.I.T.C. v. SOUTH CHINA

Kowloon Indians lost to South China five sets to four. A feature of the game was the play of the Ip Brothers, aged 12 and 14, who took two sets.

M. A. Khan and G. M. Khan (K.I.T.C.) lost to Y. H. Leung and P. W. Sz 3-6; lost to K. S. Cheung and K. C. Wong 1-6; lost to L. and Y. 4-6.

M. S. Khan and M. Ramzan (K.I.T.C.) beat Leung and Sz 6-4; beat Cheung and Wong 6-2; lost to Ip and Ip 6-7.

Jahan Dad and S. R. Saleh (K.I.T.C.) beat Leung and Sz 6-4; lost to Cheung and Wong 2-6; lost to Ip and Ip 6-7.

POLICE v. CRAIGENGOWER

Police beat Craigengower seven to two. H. V. Calhoun and A. R. S. Major (Police) beat Craigengower 6-2; beat Hung and Rappley 6-4; beat Lam and Cassimboy 6-3.

G. Carruthers and B. Baker (Police) drew with Karanjia and Sadick 6-6; beat Hung and Rappley 6-4; beat Lam and Cassimboy 6-3.

S. Smith and C. Pike (Police) beat Karanjia and Sadick 6-1; drew with Hung and Rappley 6-6; beat Lam and Cassimboy 6-1.

CIVIL SERVICE v. C.B.A.

Civil Service lost to the Central British Association five sets to four.

G. H. Fero and J. Skinner (C.S.C.C.) lost to R. Blyth and G. Fowler 1-6; beat S. Fowler and D. Smith 6-1; beat R. Holden and W. Stoker 6-2.

G. P. Bentley and J. Imrie (C.S.C.C.) lost to Blyth and Fowler 4-6; drew with Holden and Stoker 6-6; drew with Holden and Stoker 6-6.

C. Sloan and R. H. Paterson (C.S.C.C.) lost to Blyth and Fowler 4-6; beat Holden and Stoker 6-2.

The game between the Army Tennis Club and Chinese Recreation Club was not played.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
I.R.C.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Police	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.B.A.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.C.A.A.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.S.C.C.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.I.T.C.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.C.C.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.C.C.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.T.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Recreo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Schmeling To Fight Braddock-Louis Winner

New York, June 4. The latest development in the strange situation created by James Braddock's failure to appear for his arranged fight with Max Schmeling, the German heavyweight, is that Schmeling has agreed to fight the winner of the Braddock-Louis match which is fixed for June 22.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI PLAYER HITS 101 IN 35 MINUTES

AMAZING CRICKET

(By C. W. Tombs)

What was believed to be the fastest century ever scored in Shanghai was knocked up at the S. C. C. grounds last Sunday by Pte. Catlin, of the Loyals, who retired not out with a score of 101 after a 35-minute session at the wicket.

This astonishing batting display was given when at the conclusion of the scheduled all-day match between the Loyals and the Cricket Club it was decided to hold a match of 40-minutes an innings.

The result was the most spirited hitting seen this season, Lt. Cole and Catlin staying together for 35 minutes, during which they put on 153 runs, to bring their side's total at the time limit to 170.

Lt. Whiteing, who is reported to be an excellent bat, but who made his first appearance in Shanghai on Sunday, occupied the crease with Cole in the opening partnership for a period of eight minutes, during which he contributed 13 of the 25 runs which stood on the board when he was dismissed by Marshall.

Statistics for the Loyals' 43 minutes (they were given another three minutes to permit Catlin to knock up his century are bewildering. Runs were scored at an average of more than four a minute; 278 runs were hit off only 14 overs, and the least expensive over was bowled by Hart Baker, who was dismissed for the comparatively minor figure of eight runs off one over. The Club used eight bowlers in the falling light.

Altogether there were 17 fours and seven sixes hit by the Army batsmen. Catlin scoring eleven to the tapes and five powerful shots well over the tapes. One of them actually bounced into the pavilion and another went into the tennis courts.

Batting first in this "freak" match, the Club scored 59 runs for five wickets. Pullen knocking up 24. The Club's total was also scored off a total of 14 overs.

K.C.C. Tennis

Spirited Second Set Recovery

BY MR. AND MRS. GITTINS

Miss Olive Dalziel advanced another stage in the K.C.C. ladies singles tennis championship yesterday when she beat Miss Jane Weller in the second round in straight sets of 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Dalziel ran into good driving form and proved too speedy for the loser, who, however, played pluckily and revealed an assortment of useful strokes.

After losing the first set 6-3 and trailing 2-5 in the second, W. M. Gittins and Mrs. Gittins made a spirited recovery against S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie in the second round of the mixed doubles handicap.

Mr. and Mrs. Gittins caught up to five-all and looked very much like winning the set, but the opposition succeeded in breaking through Gittins' service in the 14th game.

Mr. and Mrs. Gittins were playing at a real 1/6 mark and the winners were owe 30/3.

MISS PAM BARTON WINS CORONATION CUP

HEAVY "GOING" SPOILS SCORES AT BURHILL

CAMBRIDGE FACE SEVERE BOAT RACE TASK

(By C. Venable)

Cambridge oarsmen, apparently, are not unduly distressed that they have at last been beaten by Oxford.

So philosophically do they regard their defeat, that they have taken the unusual step of re-electing the President, and indeed have acted very wisely in pinning their faith on M. P. London once more. I do not think that he is faced with an easy task, because, though he has an almost ready-made eight, I imagine that we shall see a very different crew from that which rowed against Oxford.

Only two men—bow and two—of this year's crew are not coming into residence again, so there will be six old Blues available. These are President, A. Burrough (secretary), R. J. L. Peritt, T. D. Langston, D. M. W. Napier and M. Bradley.

In past years, this news would have made Cambridge strong favourites for the next race. But Cambridge, hardly distinguished themselves this year, and in view of the undoubted potentialities of Oxford, there cannot be real confidence in the Light Blues at present.

Of course, some of the "possibles" are quite useful. London was the best man in the crew this year, while Peritt has shown himself a capable stroke. Burrough is undoubtedly good, and Langton showed a mighty on. Judged by this, the four may be, more or less, settled, but for the rest we must wait and see.

MAY RACES

I am not sure that the President will get much inspiration from the May crews, which, with a few exceptions, are hardly up to the standard of College eights of recent years, but as racing does not begin until June 9 there is time for development. Jesus start head and are almost certain to stay there. They are being stroked by Burrough, who was tried in that position for the University earlier in the year. A. E. B. Williams, who for two years was spare man in 1936—is at seven, while Langton fills his normal place at six. Those are the "big names" of the eight, but the rest are all useful. If they stay head they will presumably go for the Grand at Henley and may well win it.

I hear that Zurich are not coming to Henley to defend the various titles which they won last year, but that Jesus have accepted an invitation to go to Switzerland to take part in a series of races during the week-end after the Royal Regatta.

Miss Pam Barton, British and American champion, won the Coronation Trophy, presented by Miss Doris Chambers, with a fine score of 74, at the Ladies' invitation meeting at Burhill last month.

More than 80 players, including many overseas representatives, took out cards in the event, which was decided by one round on the Old course. The new third hole was in play for the first time. The length has been increased by 20 yards to 371 yards, and the hole has a bogey of 4.

Helped by a 2 at the short 6th, where she got down a putt of three yards, Miss Barton accomplished the first hole-in-one in 36 strokes, and throughout the round gave an excellent display in spite of the rather heavy "going." Miss Jessie Anderson, another "Curtis" Cup, International, was runner-up with a score of 77, accomplished despite three putts on each of three greens.

Miss Wanda Morgan, the English champion, who partnered Miss Anderson, took 80, which included a 6 at the 17th. Miss Diana Flinwick, obviously short of practice, took 82, while Miss Enid Wilson, playing far below her best form, did not return her card.

Miss Molly Gourlay was one under four for eleven holes, but then began to miss short putts, and finished in 76.

The overseas competitors were not happy in the cold and wet conditions. There were special prizes for them, the scratch award being taken by Miss Betty Frost, runner-up last year for the South African Ladies' Championship, with a score of 80, while Miss Stiebel, also of South Africa, won the handicap event with 98 less 16—82.

Miss Pam Barton, 74; Miss Anderson, 77; Miss K. Granham, 78; Miss M. Gourlay, 78; Miss M. Barton, 80; Mrs. R. T. Peel, 80; Miss E. Corlett, 80; Miss W. Morgan, 80; Mrs. W. Greenlees, 82; Miss D. Flinwick, 82; Miss B. Dix-Peritt, 82; Mrs. Gilligan, 85; Miss P. Wade, 85.

Handicap (up to 15)—Miss J. Anderson, 77 less 1—76; Miss M. Barton, 80 less 3—77; (13 and 18)—Mrs. Harper Bennett, 93 less 18—75; Miss B. Jackson, 93 less 18—75; Miss Rankin, 93 less 14—79.

Overseas Section—Scratch, Miss B. Frost (S. Africa), 88. Handicap—Miss Stiebel (S. Africa), 98 less 16—82. Approaching and Putting (to one hole from 3 points)—Miss W. Morgan and Mrs. Beck tied at 7 each.

Pembroke are at present second on the Cam, but will be lucky if they can hold their place. They are being stroked by M. Bradley, who was in the Cambridge crew this year. Selwyn, like Pembroke, are hardly up to standard, and it will be surprising if they do not drop one or two places.

Third Trinity are one of the few remaining fixed-pin crews left on the Cam. They have spent some time sorting themselves out, but they have settled down now and are beginning to give a good exhibition of orthodox rowing. They will make some bumps, but as they start sixth they cannot hope to get to the top—unless, of course, they are prolific in over bumps.

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A 72-hole aggregate of 280, a score that has only once been beaten in the history of the event, won Richard Burton, of Hooton, Cheshire, the Dunlop-Southport £1,000 Professional Golf Tournament at Southport yesterday.

Whitcombe, however, took second place, having like Bussan, overhauled all comers. Burton, who with Norman Sutton, the ex-professional footballer, and Dai Rice, the young match-play champion, had shared the lead at the end of the third round, each with 212. Sutton, in the morning, was the first player of three yesterday to go round in 66; two strokes under the record.

Henry Cotton, twice former winner and Open ex-champion, finished fifth with 220.

"My puts were not always going in for me," he said. "But I did not let this worry me as I knew that I had something in hand and that things would have to go radically wrong if that gap were to be closed."

His favourite club is the masher and he used this to advantage in his last brilliant effort of 68.

WHITCOMBE'S DO-OR-DIE BID
Charles Whitcombe, the last man home, made a do-or-die bid, and his 66 did not contain a five. His only slip was in missing the green at the short 4th and not being quite near enough with his chip to stand a chance of sinking his first putt. Turning in 33 he reeled off perfect figures on the homeward journey.

J. I. Bussion, of Fomby, putted in remarkable fashion for his 60, which gave him an aggregate of 284. He holed from 6 yards at the 1st, 8 yards at the 2nd, and 12 yards at the 4th, to open with 3, 3, 4, 2. He was down with a chip and one putt at both the 8th and 9th, to turn in 31, and did not have a 5 until he spared his second shot to the 11th. He then reeled off par figures with ease to beat Sutton's total of 286 by a stroke and leave Burton do 71 to win. Bussion's figures were

Norman Sutton, a brother of William Sutton, accomplished his best performance as a professional with his third round of 66.

His score was due almost entirely to his brilliant play on the greens, for he had a total of only 29 putts, taking but 13 on the first nine holes. At both the short 15th and 17th, however, he missed the green from the tee and failed to secure a 3, his first putt lipping the hole each time. It was the dropping of these two strokes which cost him the chance to equal the course record and gain a lead of two shots on the field. His grand:

Out: 3, 5, 4, 2, 3, 2, 4, 5, 3—31.
Home: 4, 4, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4—35.
Total 66

Sutton, however, dropped vital strokes in the last round, taking 4's at 15th and 17th, and his 73 left the field still with a good chance.

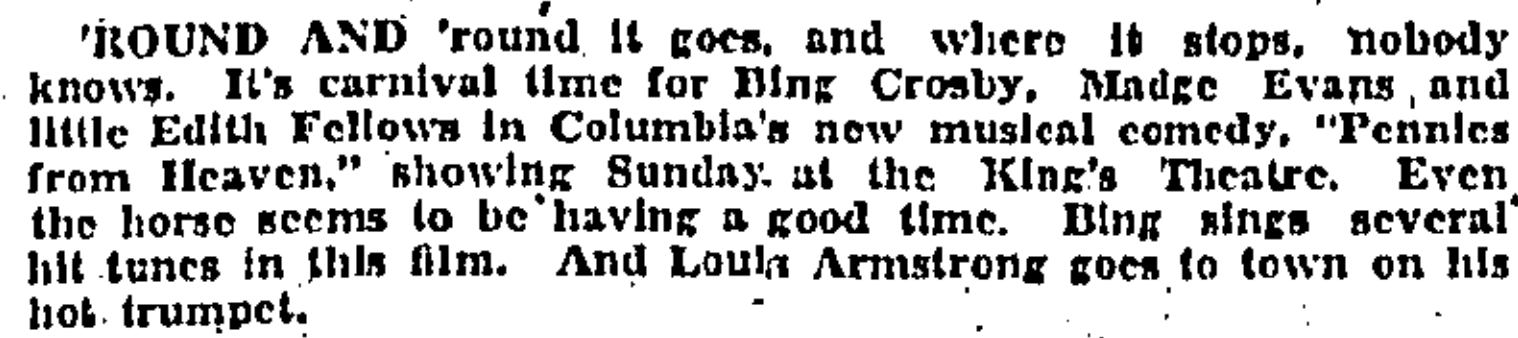
In both rounds yesterday Cotton was off the line with his iron shots. Setting forth in the morning in a strong wind, he hooked his first tee-shot into the hills, sent his second into a bunker, and opened with 5. He did not improve on the bogey

THOUGHTLESS SPECTATORS
He played more steadily for his 71 in the afternoon, but dropped a stroke at both the 15th and 17th holes.

Rees, L. Ayton, Jun., and W. J. Branch all broke seventy in the morning round, Rees's fine putting giving him 69, but he killed his chances by taking 30 over the first nine holes in the afternoon. Meanwhile, Mahon, making a desperate effort to retrieve his position, played a weak golf to turn in 33. He was three under fours with 69 to his credit, but his ending was handicapped by a weak finish, he needing 54 in the 16th and 17th.

D. Burring (Hooton) ..	72	67	73	68	280
C. A. Whitcombe (Crews Hill) 74 ..	73	71	66	283	
L. B. Burring ..	75	71	66	283	

H. A. Day	(Formby, Asst.)	70	71	70	73	291
A. J. Gadd	(W. Cheshire)	73	70	73	70	292
J. J. Taylor	(W. Clarnar)	73	72	71	70	292
L. Ayton, Jun.	(S. Shields)	70	71	69	74	293
J. J. Bussard	(S. Barnard)	70	73	72	73	294
S. S. Field	(S. Beds)	72	72	73	73	294
G. W. McIntosh	(Asst.)	74	74	74	71	294
G. Knight	(Bloxwich)	73	71	72	77	294
J. Adams	(L. Liverpool)	70	72	72	74	294
A. Compton	(Coombe Hill)	77	73	71	74	294
J. Bond	(W. Lanes Ladies)	74	74	74	70	295
C. H. Ward	(E. Torquay)	70	70	74	73	295
C. Fryer	(Fifehead)	71	74	75	73	296
J. W. Gaudin	(H. Walscott)	75	73	73	70	296
C. R. Wilson	(C. Cranham)	73	72	75	70	296
E. W. Kenyon	(Beaconsfield)	70	74	73	71	296
A. G. Harrison	(H. Barn)	73	71	70	70	297
J. McLean	(Buckingham Castle)	71	75	73	73	297
F. H. W. Wilmshol	(W. Wilmshol)	70	72	70	73	297
A. H. Padgham	(Sundridge Pk.)	75	73	75	74	297
P. Alliss	(Temple Newsum)	75	70	78	78	297
E. R. Whitcombe	(P. K.)	70	75	72	72	298
H. J. Rudd	(W. Derby)	74	70	74	70	298
R. C. A. Hancock	(Pte.)	70	72	71	73	298



London.
Innovation seems to be the watch-
word for the cricket season.
But in this instance it is a case

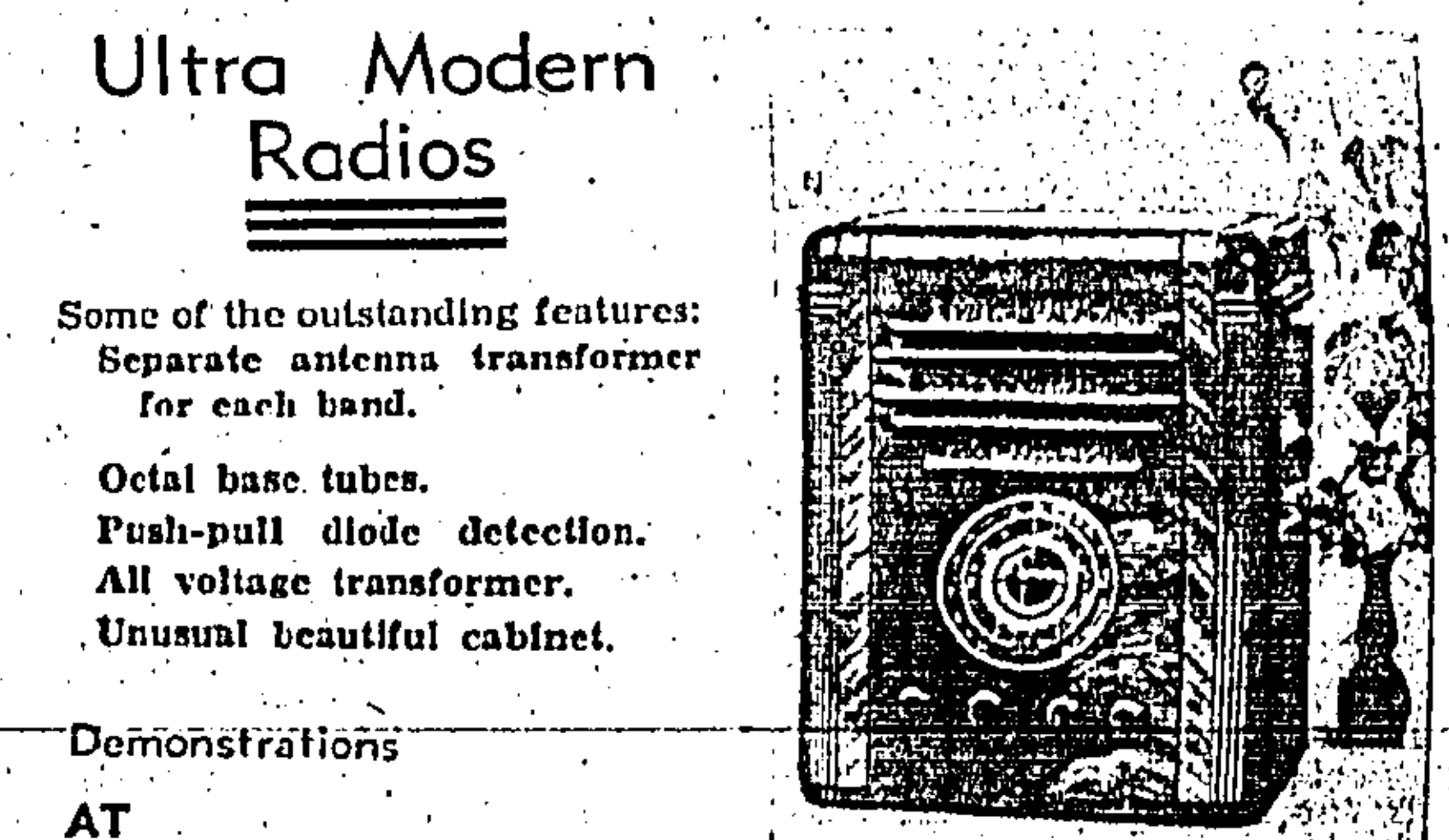
G.	Good	(Cavendish)	77	73	74	72	239
G.	Good	(Romley)	76	74	74	72	239
G.	G. Hilton	(Leven Thistle)	76	71	75	70	239
A.	E. Bignell	(Osmarkirk)	80	75	75	73	239
A.	Lees	(Dore & Totley)	78	72	74	75	239
G.	N. Hogg	(Longcliffe, Asst.)	75	73	77	72	239
G.	R. Buckle	(Rotherham)	78	72	74	75	239
G.	R. Buckle	(Crook Fk.)	78	72	74	75	239
H.	R. Manton	(Hawthorpe)	76	74	73	77	239
P.	Rodgers	(St. Annes Old)	70	72	74	75	239
A.	D. Cairnes	(Withington)	77	73	75	73	239
T.	Collings	(Swinton Fk.)	75	73	74	78	239
R.	H. Panton	(Sutton Coldfield)	76	70	73	75	239
W.	J. Martin	(Crompton Heath)	78	70	74	78	239
A.	G. Matthews	(Rochampton)	78	70	73	76	239
T.	Green	(Burham Beeches)	77	74	75	78	239
C.	Sayner	(Birdcliffe)	77	74	77	76	239
J.	Donaldson	(Cuddington)	77	74	73	76	239
W.	Nolan	(Portmarnock)	76	78	71	70	239
J.	Fulford	(Huddersfield, Asst.)	70	72	73	76	239
E.	W. Jarman	(W. Lanes)	72	77	76	76	239
J.	L. Black	(Hornsea-on-Sea)	76	72	77	74	239
J.	Hargreaves	(Fleetwood, Asst.)	77	73	78	77	239
M.	M. Hargreaves	(Fleetwood, Asst.)	78	74	78	79	239

being recommended. Reports from Australia indicate that greater driving power is given by the steel shaft. There is no substitute for the willow blade and concern has been felt since the Essex plantations—which produce 80 per cent. of the English bat willows—were the first attacked some years ago by the water mark disease, which causes a brown stain in the grain. At least 10 per cent. of the crop is still affected by the disease.

Mrs. H. V. Butlin, with a card of 111-38-75, qualified for the Captain's Cup at Happy Valley in the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

The L. G. U. Monthly Medal Competition, which was to have been held at Fanling on May 4, attracted no entries in either division.

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"I Think You Ought to Know.."

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E. Arnot Robertson



"Gossip... the hardest working of all the spiritual weeds."

If you talk mainly, or even much, about personalities, sooner or later you will do damage that may be irreparable.

It is not necessary for this that you should even criticise the doings and sayings of the people you know: you have only to pass them on, to those they concern and those they don't, to be sure of doing somebody, in the end, the worst turn you can, with the best will in the world.

The most frightening woman I have ever known was one of whom it was stated, by a lone admirer, that she never had an unkind word to say about anyone. This was true: what she had was a practically continuous flow of disconnected and trivial information to impart about almost everybody.

Let others judge: let others put together what A was reported to have said, with what B was believed to have done: she would only retail. Few can ever have mastered more strikingly the knack of being dangerous and dull at the same time.

If only gossip needed to be spiteful in order to be poisonous

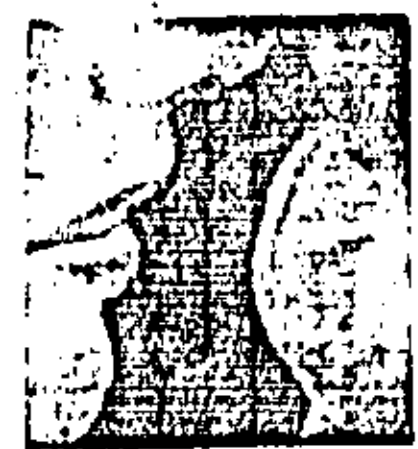
To-day's Thought

THE extra calories needed for one hour of intense mental effort would be completely met by the eating of one half of a salted peanut.

—F. G. BENEDICT

It would be so much easier to combat. Unfortunately, at least nine-tenths of the tale-bearing and rumour-spreading in the world has no motive whatever except the desire for power which we all share: "I know something that you don't."

Two coroners' inquests dealt with suicides caused by talk: in one case the gossip was described as "idle" and in the other "malicious." It usually is, as though these were its two alternative states.



Actually, gossip is about the only human thing that is literally

never idle: the hardest working of all the spiritual weeds, it will increase of its own accord once it has been sown.

And as to being malicious—in the world of talk, as in all other worlds, knaves are dreadfully rare compared with fools: knaves, since they work for their own advantage, can be managed. But nothing, apparently, can be done to protect people from the sheer irresponsibility of the sort of talkers who have just sent two women to their deaths.

One was a girl of nineteen who drowned herself when a

close friend—and in such cases it usually is a close friend—acting for what she believed to be the best—told her the things that were being said about her in the village where they lived.

The coroner made clear that the rumours were unfounded. All the same, they distressed the girl enough for her to feel, at her age, that life was not worth living.

The nicest case for contrast of which I have ever heard occurred some months ago; and no one, I think, paid enough attention to it.

Charged with attempting to inflict grievous bodily harm, a man explained to the magistrate that he had met George in a bar.

"George said, 'I think you ought to know,' and he replied, 'Oh, you do, you?' dotting him one with a bottle."

Or rather he only tried to: unfortunately, he was drunk and failed. But such efforts should be made more often.

The magistrate observed that he could see no reason for the assault, except that the man had been celebrating. That is the sort of thing which magistrates are so strangely apt to say.

If ever there was good provocation for personal violence it was, and always will be, the conversational opening, "I think you ought to know."

The other unnecessary coroner's case was of the brilliant woman musician who took her life, leaving a letter, "They are killing me with their unkindness": it was one of the most dramatic of the gossip-deaths which have found their way into the papers lately.

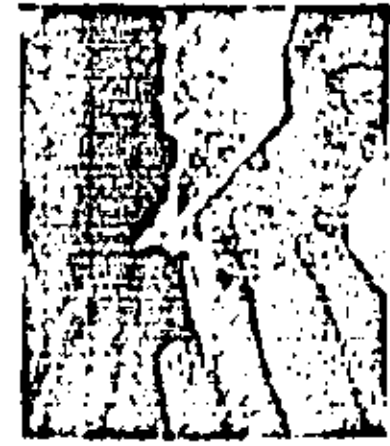
How, too, there appeared to be no foundation for the trouble. But for every highly-strung or over-sensitive person who dies in this way there must be hundreds of normal people—and therefore in a way more considerable people—whose lives are made wretched for years by the circulation of stories about them.

Nothing is heard of them, outside the little hell of whispers in which they have to live.

Suspicion of whatever kind, is so nebulous that it is appallingly difficult to dispense, and it darkens everything under it. A doctor who has been accused of negligence leading to the death of a patient may just as well give up his practice, in most country places,

and start again—if he can afford to.

Even if a case is brought and he wins it, it will be the charge that is remembered afterwards, not the acquittal. And where the charge is not made publicly he is even more helpless.



Poison pen letters are on the increase. In those extraordinary cases, malice

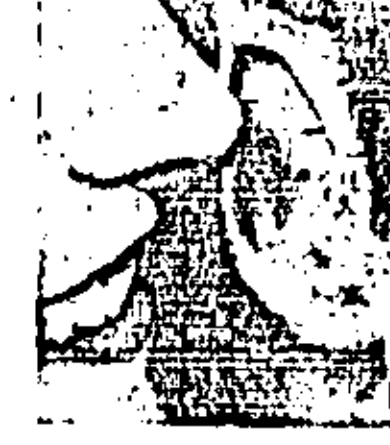
for once is rampant, and people are willing often enough to publish vile lies or truths about themselves in order to go on slandering their neighbours undetected.

Again, legal attention was drawn to the growing number of funerals stopped by anonymous letters to the police, on grounds which turn out to be wholly irresponsible.

The machinery of the coroner's court may, it is thought, have to be altered in order to ensure proper investigation of these cases, and the clearing of innocent people; but, as with doctors and negligence, it is the accusation, not the disproof, that lingers in the minds of acquaintances: nothing can alter that.

And in any case, whatever the verdict, it would surely be hard to overestimate the added unhappiness caused by this sort of anonymous interference to people already wracked with human loss. Some years ago, occurred the case that always, to my mind, sums up the idiosyncrasy, as well as the wickedness, of gossip.

A wife ran away from her husband to someone she preferred. "Ran" is an over-statement; she could have borrowed the bus fare from him had she wished, he was so glad to see her go. And the other man was delighted when she came.



Humanly speaking, it was all so satisfactory, if technically immoral, that for six months the trio used to meet occasionally and go to the pictures together.

Then the husband went round one evening and attempted to murder the other man. Asked why, he agreed that he had condoned the affair all along, did not want the wife back and did not grudge her to the other man, adding the significant words, "But the neighbours nagged me so."

Why, why, like George's admirable assailant, could he not have turned on the 'I-think-you-ought-to-knowers,' the 'Of-course-it's-nothing-to-do-with-me-but-' people, instead?

Greater weight of numbers of irresponsibility, of silly good intentions, of lack of imagination—make the gossips into everybody's worst potential enemies, the most difficult to fight because they are so often friends as well.

Could we not have a campaign against them? Even a Mind-My-Own-Business-Day once a year would be quite a considerable start.

Judging from the newspaper reports, it must have been a long time since the gossips rested even as long as that from their disgusting work.

THE WHITE LADY OF CORSTORPHINE

GHOSTLY LEGEND OF LONG AGO

AROUND Corstorphine's famous Sycamore Tree, whose golden foliage is one of the glories of spring time, there lingers a poignant legend of love and revenge.

Long ago the lovely sycamore tree was one of a fine avenue leading to Corstorphine Castle, the residence of Lord Forrester, an ardent Royalist. After the battle of Dunbar, when Cromwell's men occupied the village and neighbourhood, Corstorphine Castle and estate suffered greatly at their hands. To crown all, Lord Forrester was ordered by Cromwell to pay a fine of £2,500.

The demand for this large sum of money impoverished Lord Forrester, his affairs became hopelessly involved, and, ever reckless, he began to drown his sorrows in drink, spending his evenings at the Black Bull Inn in the village.

Presently rumours began to spread that Lord Forrester was often to be seen wandering about in the night with a beautiful young lady in the secluded glades around Corstorphine Castle, and there were whispers of midnight meetings under the sycamore tree. It was said, too, that the beautiful young lady was none other than his wife's niece, Christian Nimmo, who was married to a worthy burgess of Edinburgh.

Love Turned To Hate

Whether these scandalous rumours ever reached the ears of Lady Forrester will never be known. That sweet, gentle lady, too meek to resent Lord Forrester's neglect and abuse, and powerless to interfere with his affairs, fell into a decline and passed away.

Christian Nimmo, madly in love with Lord Forrester, apparently hoped that he would marry her now that he was a widower, despite the fact that she herself was married and not yet divorced. Then one momentous day, she heard that Lord Forrester, drunk in the Black Bull Inn, had spoken disparagingly of her in public, calling her by a name which she resented furiously.

At that moment all her love seems to have turned to hate. In hot passion Christian set out for Corstorphine Castle, walking boldly to the front door, and demanding to see his lordship. The footman looked at her coldly and informed her that his lordship was not at home. Christian tossed her head, stamped her foot, and insisted that a servant should be sent to the Black Bull Inn to fetch Lord Forrester.

Very soon Christian became impatient and decided to walk down the avenue to meet Lord Forrester. Perhaps it was fate that destined them to meet under the sycamore tree, the scene of so many of their former meetings.

But this time Christian did not throw herself into his arms, to be held in his close embrace. This time she turned on him like a tigress, with white face and blazing eyes, upbraiding him violently. Lord Forrester, more than half intoxicated, was truculent and surly.

With His Own Sword

Suddenly Christian, maddened beyond endurance, dragged Lord Forrester's sword from its sheath and stabbed him to the heart. He fell dead at her feet. Terror-stricken, she knelt down, and with trembling fingers, fumbled for his heart. She had murdered her lover under the sycamore tree.

By this time Christian was frightened out of her wits, and crept back to Corstorphine Castle hoping to find refuge there. She managed to slip in unseen, and made her way upstairs to the attic. As she crept across to the window one of her shoes came off and fell through a hole in the floor to the room below.

A few minutes later there was the tramp of feet on the stairs, and Christian, white-faced and trembling, was arrested and taken to the Edinburgh Tolbooth on a charge of murder.

At her trial Christian Nimmo protested that she was innocent. She declared that Lord Forrester was drunk at the time; that it was common knowledge he was furious in his cups; that he had run at her with his sword; that she had snatched it from him to keep herself from being wounded; that Lord Forrester ran upon the point of his sword and gave himself the mortal wound from which he died.

All her pleading was in vain. Christian Nimmo was sentenced to death and taken back to the Tolbooth to await her execution. Apparently she must have been very fascinating, for someone supplied her with a disguise, and, dressed as a man, she managed to escape from the Tolbooth in the twilight of an autumn evening.

Immediately a hue and cry was raised and an extensive search was made for her. Christian did not enjoy her freedom long, for next day she was found at Fala Mill, re-arrested, and brought back once more to the Tolbooth.

A few days later Christian Nimmo, dressed in deep mourning, was beheld at the Cross of Edinburgh. She displayed great courage and fortitude in her last moments.

Corstorphine's famous sycamore tree marks the scene of this old-time tragedy. For many years, it was a cherished belief that on dark winter nights, when the wind blows hard, passers-by heard eerie cries, and that at times the ghostly figure of a lady dressed in white, carrying a bloodstained sword, could be seen walking back and forth under the sycamore tree.

Margaret Hillman

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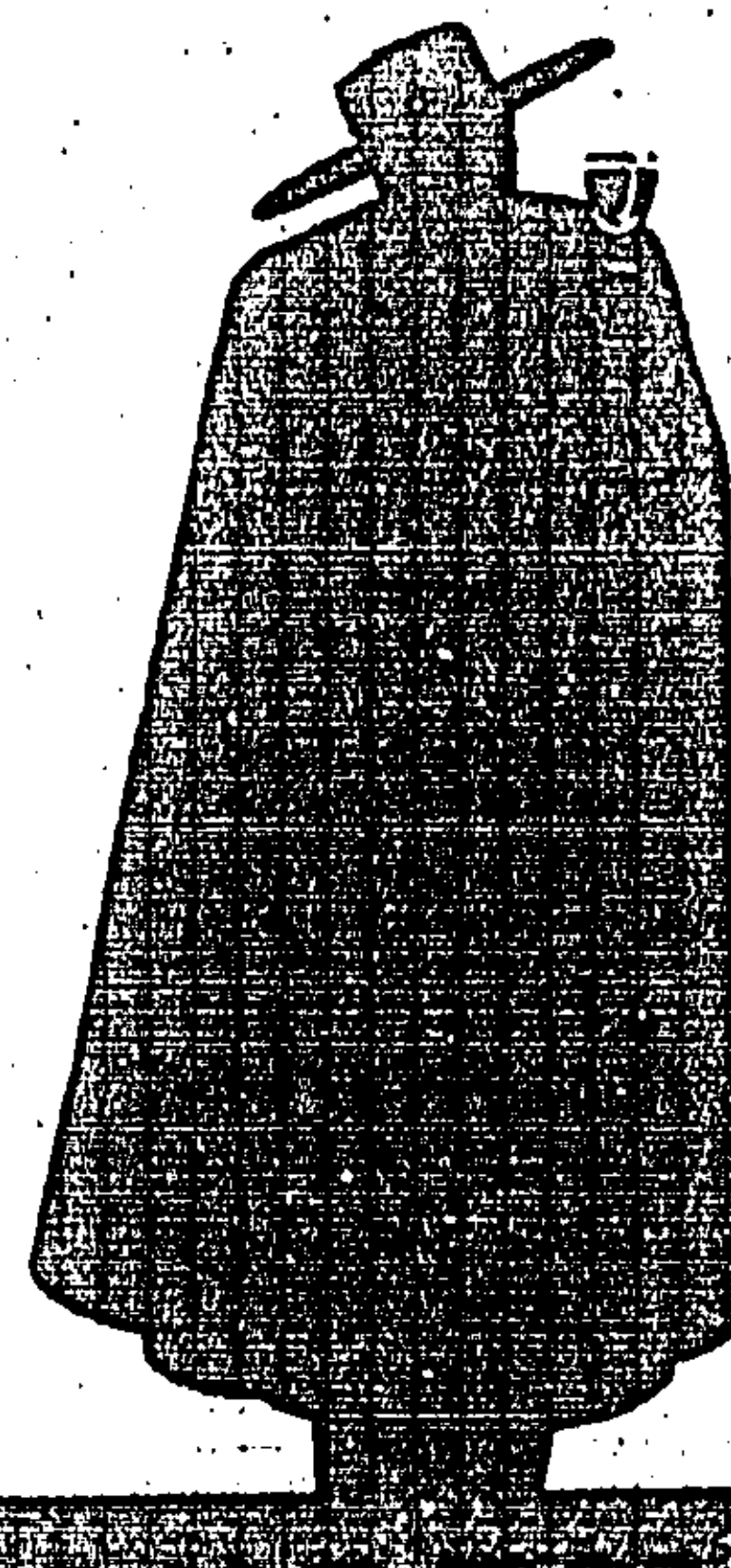
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LATE MR. A. ALVES

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The funeral of Mr. Alvaro A. Alves, who died on Thursday, took place at the Catholic Cemetery yesterday. The Rev. Fr. A. Ilgani, assisted by the Rev. Frs. F. R. Noval, A. Grampa, R. Brookes, A. Rosello, D. Page and J. Guarena, officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners were the son and brothers. Among those present were Messrs. F. Abraham, I. Alaraki, Dr. R. A. de Castro, B. de Mesquita, H. de B. Botelho, N. U. Botelho, the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Jr., C. d'Almada e Castro, C. Cook, C. Cunha, A. Demes, A. V. Gozalo, F. M. P. de Graca, Li Yat-choi, C. S. Lum, A. Nissim, A. F. O'Connell, A. H. Potts, F. C. da Rocha, C. d'Almada e Castro, J. O. Rodrigues, F. V. Ribeiro, F. V. Ribeiro, F. O. Rodrigues, F. M. N. de Silva, D. O. de Silva, F. M. V. de Sousa, A. F. B. Silva, F. P. T. de Sousa, A. F. B. Silva, Frank W. White, F. A. Xavier and others. Apart from family flower wreaths were sent by Alice and Jose, Rose and Laila, Kittie, Guido and Vicente, Elia and Lena, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Alves, Maria Alvarez and family, Chief and Mrs. J. M. Alves, Dr. J. H. Talbot, G. P. d'Aguino, Henry W. Abner, A. O. Barretto, Marina Barretto, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Barros, Dr. Barretto, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Barros, Mr. and Mrs. F. de Barros and family, Dr. H. A. Barros, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Barros, C. d'Almada e Castro, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada e Castro and family, the Hon. Mr. d'Almada e Castro, Jr., and Mrs. d'Almada e Castro, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro, W. H. Choy, Mr. and Mrs. Y. D. R. Castro, Mr. and Mrs. Y. D. R. Castro, Edgar, Messrs. Ellis and Edgar, Felix M. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ferguson, J. C. Ferguson, de Graca, T. M. Gregory, Alfred P. Greaves, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gutierrez, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gutierrez, Sir Robert Ho-tung, W. C. Hung, L. Montalto de Jesus and family, Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Kew, Dr. J. W. Kew and family, G. P. Lammert, L. F. Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Lammert, Dr. V. Lopez, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. J. Lopez, Tom Beck, Alvaro de Noronha, Maria J. R. Omond, R. Pestoni, A. H. Potts, P. C. Potts, Mr. and Mrs. E. dos Remedios, Sylvia dos Remedios, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. dos Remedios, F. W. T. Ross, Cecilia Ross, G. U. da Rosa, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rutledge, Mr. F. S. Sadler, Shi Yu-man, Miss R. Perry, Cissy and Porfirio P. de Sousa, da Silva and family, E. M. Carvalho, C. Maria da Silva, F. Soares, Mr. Seu Kon-chi, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. de Sousa, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Souza, Mr. and Mrs. The Ka-po and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Van Wyck, W. A. Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Zimmerman, Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, the Chairman and Members of the Hongkong Stock Exchange, Committee and members, Victoria Recreation Club and Craigengower Cricket Club.

Mrs. Tam Hon Tsui-yin

The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Tam Hon Tsui-yin, aged 47, step-mother of Mr. W. N. Thomas, Tam, well-known barrister, and President of the Rotary Club.

The funeral took place at the Chinese Cemetery in the afternoon and was well attended. The Rev. Fr. Cheung Chuk-ling conducted the funeral service.

Besides family wreaths floral tributes were sent by the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Mr. H. K. Kowall and family, Hon. Mr. N. Chau, D. J. Anderson, Dr. S. N. Chau, J. N. Chau, Eu Tong-sen, Fung Ping-wai, Sir Robert Ho-tung, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kwan, Mrs. Ho Kwan, Ho Ki, Kan Ton-po, Kwok Yau-tung, Li Tse-fong, Li Tse-fong, Li Tse-fong, Kow-seng, Dr. H. To and family, Mr. and Mrs. The Ka-po, Dr. and Mrs. Ernest To, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. To, Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Tsang, Tai Ming-tak, Tang Shu-kin, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Wan, Wong Kwok-shuen, Dr. Arthur Woo, F. Zimmerman.

Mrs. Aurelina Remedios

The death occurred at her residence, Nathan Road, on Thursday, of Mrs. Aurelina Maria Concelos (Nina) Rodrigues Remedios, a well-known and respected member of the Portuguese community.

The late Mrs. Remedios was 65 years of age and was the widow of Mr. R. J. Remedios, who was formerly connected with the Mercantile

DEFENCE SUBMISSION

EXTRADITION CASE HEARING CONTINUED

Lengthy submissions were put forward by Mr. F. G. Nigel, defending solicitor, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday when extradition proceedings against Chu Chi-kong, former canvasser for the Wing Fat Printing Company, who is wanted by the Netherlands Indies authorities for the alleged embezzlement of 7,110.20 guilders and H.K. \$2,280.82, were continued. Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, is prosecuting.

Mr. Nigel dealt with certain points of the case and referred in particular to various items which he said had not been proved. In conclusion he said the only further point he wished to deal with was in relation to four items which had been specified by Mr. Williams. Huen Yee-feng's account having gone by reason of lack of evidence of previous liability, there was only the evidence as to fugitive having received 600 odd guilders from the Eng Chow Delk, the same amount from the Kwong Sang Loong and 150.20 from the Tjilin firm, and there were sufficient amounts of money due to the fugitive completely to offset the amounts mentioned paid by the Eng Chow Delk, the Kwong Sang Loong and the Tjilin firm; and there was nothing left for which the fugitive had not accounted.

"This submission is coupled with my previous submission that the fact that Ho Man-yul (who was sent to Medan to take over) did not show that he has not received the amounts which the fugitive was under instructions to pay him, does not raise even a prima facie case against the fugitive that he has misappropriated the amounts which he is accused of having embezzled."

Here Mr. Nigel submitted what he considered necessary for prima facie evidence, a submission with which Mr. Williams did not agree.

At this stage Mr. Williams intimated that he preferred an adjournment as there were many points in the submissions of the defence which he wished to answer, and he would rather do so on Monday. In the meantime he proposed to have translations made of all the other items, which he had not known at first would be required.

The case was accordingly adjourned to Monday, June 7, at 2.30 p.m.

Bank of India. She is survived by a son, Mr. L. G. Remedios, of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., and four daughters.

The funeral took place at the Catholic Cemetery yesterday, the Rev. Fr. Brookes officiating. Chief mourners were the son and three grand-sons, and Mr. T. Drury, son-in-law.

Among those present were Messrs. D. Alonzo, C. Barros, J. C. Barros, A. F. Castro, L. A. Costa, Mrs. P. Cruz, Mr. A. Ferreira, S. Elzeureido, A. V. Gozalo, B. Gozalo, A. Guimaraes, A. Marques, J. Marques, Mr. and Mrs. R. Marques, E. Rocha, P. J. Rodrigues, U. Santos, A. Sequeira, P. Sequeira, M. Simoes, D. L. Silva and A. Pereira.

Floral tributes were sent by "Sorrowful daughter August and Children," Sorrowful daughter Sarah and Family; Sorrowful daughter Nina and Grandchildren; Guimaraes and Joe, and Grandchildren; Sonny and Irene; Cissy and Chico; Katie

TIENTSIN UNEASY

SETTLEMENT TERMS FOR FARM LEASE DISPUTE

Tientsin, June 4.

The charred body found in the Tunglou Tsun Japanese experimental farm fire has been identified as that of a Chinese male.

The Japanese Consul, Mr. Ichi Kishi, has denied the report of Japanese demands to the Chinese. He said that the Chinese officials voluntarily offered a settlement.

The terms include protection of Japanese nationals, release of the landlord Ku Wen-fu (the Chinese who is alleged to have secretly sold the land to the Japanese for the farm) and investigation of the fire.

These terms the Japanese have accepted. The Consul said that the matter would be settled if the Chinese carried out their promises.

Observers believe that the Japanese will use the incident to insist on the legalisation of all Japanese land purchases. Agricultural experts say that the land at the colony at Tunglou Tsun near Tientsin is highly utilised and it will be impossible to grow crops there. Hence they believe that the settlers are not genuine farmers.—United Press.

Controversy Explained

Tientsin, May 29.

Japanese officials here to-day decided to proceed on Monday to the Seimen, a farm under joint Sino-Japanese management, to investigate charges of oppression lodged against the Chinese authorities by Elzo Shima, Japanese partner in the enterprise.

Mr. Shima this morning visited the Japanese Consulate-General to make a report on the arrest on Thursday of Ku Wen-fu, his Chinese partner. The arrest, Mr. Shima alleged, was a sequel to the promulgation on May 20 by the Hopt-Charter Council of a 'new law' prohibiting the death sentence for persons "secretly selling national land to foreigners."

The Japanese partner in the farm, which covers 250 acres, charged the Chinese authorities with attempting to drive them out of business by threatening Chinese employees, and agricultural experts with death should they continue to work with Japanese. He also alleged that the transportation of foodstuffs to his farm was being interfered with.

"We are trying to improve Chinese crops and Chinese Agricultural methods," Mr. Shima said. "We should receive the support of the Chinese authorities instead of being oppressed by them. If I am forced to quit, it will establish a precedent of a Japanese having been prevented from leasing land in a treaty port area."—Domei.

The Chinese allege that the Japanese are seeking to extend their oppression.

and Children, Arthur and Bobby; Clem and Reggie; Luz, Cybele and children.

A. G. Botelho, Joseph Chow and family, Joe, Annie and Marie Cordeiro, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ferreira, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Latur and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Lopes, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Remedios, Annie Hew, Marie Rodrigues and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Santos, Virginia V. da Silva and family, Mercantile Bank of India, and others.

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My £20 a Week on Parties: By a Solicitor NOW BANKRUPT

A FORMER well-known West End solicitor revealed after his examination at the London Bankruptcy Court how he spent £1,000 a year on entertaining, maintained a large staff of servants at his country house at Shirley, Hampshire, and kept a fleet of cars for his family.

Mr. Lewis Vernon Reece-Jones, aged 37, was stated to owe £3,694, apart from a claim of nearly £3,000 due to Mr. Martin Coles Harman, the City financier. The only assets were estimated at £250.

The Official Receiver, Mr. Bruce, Park, was appointed trustee, but Mr. Reece-Jones's solicitor intimated that application would be made for rescission of the receiving order.

"MY HOME SOLD UP"

"I took out a practising certificate in November 1927," Mr. Reece-Jones said recently. "My wife and I had a lovely home at Shirley, but now that has all gone."

"My furniture has been sold and my three children have been taken away from private schools because I cannot afford the fees. In 1932, when I began to practise in the West End, my office expenses were £1,500 a year. I had to entertain on a lavish scale and spent quite £1,000 a year on that."

"I owned my own cars and lived in most happy surroundings. 'What of the future?' Well, I can only hope that this stigma will soon disappear. I have to rely on relatives for support now."

"The tragedy of it is that through all this worry my wife has had a breakdown."

CHINA SCORED REAL RECOVERY IN PAST YEAR

BY DR. PAUL SCHWARZ,

Former German Consul in New York. Much has been written, told and heard during the past months about China's political comeback.

But very little was hatched on just how the Nanking Government managed to strengthen its position in the face of foreign pressure.

Besides the great patriotic revival of the Chinese nation, which is the direct result of the conflict with Japan, and which has greatly increased the power of the Central Government, the economic progress marked in 1936 has also been instrumental in stiffening China's attitude.

HARVESTS HELPED

First, there was a record harvest. To China, which still to-day is an almost completely farming country, this automatically insures prosperity. It further means reduced imports of consumption goods. For, especially in South China, rice had to be imported annually during the last years to feed the population. Particularly has this been the case in the densely populated provinces of Kwangsi and Kwangtung, usually called "Canton."

Furthermore, the fine harvest of last year meant much of the money spent formerly by China for importation of food stuffs could now be converted into industrial goods, including arms, railway equipment, motor vehicles, etc.

The second economic victory—hardly of less importance—registered during the past year by the Central Government is the satisfactory development of its currency reform. China called in all silver which was to form (together with gold and foreign exchange deposits) the basis of a new national currency. Furthermore the government restricted the right of issuing currency to three banks—all government-controlled: The Central Bank of China, the Bank of Communications and the Bank of China.

GOOD MARKETS

The past year saw the nation-wide acceptance of these currency reforms. The masses of China have adopted the Nanking currency as means of general exchange. On the other hand, the "nationalization" of silver has freed China's currency from the fluctuations of the world market price for silver.

Also mentioned among economic gains should be the tremendous strides registered by China during the past year in the development of communications, both in air, railroad, public roads and navigation. Furthermore, it should not be overlooked that the general economic improvement throughout the world, particularly in this country, as well as the heavy re-armament programme now under way in Europe and particularly in the United States, created good markets for Chinese goods.

Finally, a much improved economic situation in such places as Malaya,



The press photographer's work is not always easy, but as he is a cunning fellow he is often able to overcome difficulties. Here you see one trying to get a photo of the closely-guarded, Chateau, Cande in France where the Duchess of Windsor, formerly Mrs. Simpson lived prior to her marriage this week.

SAVED BY BLINDNESS

BLIND 18-years-old Maud Mason saved her life by her sense of direction at a fire in a cottage in one of the famous Great Yarmouth rows recently.

She was able to grope her way through smoke and flame to the open air.

There were three others in the cottage, her father, mother, and brother.

Her father, Frederick Ernest Mason and his 13-years-old brother Freddie died from suffocation.

Mrs. Mason collapsed in the doorway and was dragged clear by firemen.

The mother is now recovering in hospital.

A chimney sweep, Mr. George Perrin, and his family of four all helped to fight the fire until the brigade arrived.

A police inspector, who was helping the firemen, just managed to reach the door before he fell unconscious on the ground at the feet of the crowd.

Dutch East Indies and other places in the world which have large Chinese colonies resulted in greater amounts of remittances by these overseas Chinese to their native countries—a very important item among that nation's revenues.

Thus, China's economic position has in 1936 seen a vast gain of strength as well as tremendous consolidation.

China's foreign-trade during 1936 has shown signs of promising developments, too—though the problem of smuggling, notably along the South China and the East Hoppel coast, remains a thorn in the flesh of national Chinese economy. These vast smuggling activities—which largely carry merchandise of Japanese origin into the country by evading customs—are not represented in the official Chinese statistics. As a result, the important figures given by the Chinese Maritime Customs administration are to be taken "cum-grano salis," that is, the real imports must necessarily be much larger than the official data.

China's foreign trade is represented by the following table (the figures are millions of Chinese Customs "Gold Units," the Gold Unit representing 0.001866 gram of fine gold, the value of which in U.S. currency is equal to 87.8c):

	1936	1935	1934
Imports	417.6	504.4	528.8
Exports	312.6	300.6	272.4

The United States is the leading one, with Japan, Germany and England following in this order.

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